



OAKHAM TOWN REPORT

1976

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COVER SKETCH

This year's cover sketch is of the house presently owned by James Barringer and located on Grace Lane. While the house itself is not one of the older homes in town it is built along rustic lines and is one of the landmarks of the Town.

The land on which the house stands was first owned by Josiah Willard and consisted of Lot 28 of the original Proprietors Tracts. The first building on the property appears to have been built some time between 1775 and 1790 by Arthur Forbes. The property remained in the Forbes family until the early 1830's when it was purchased by Perley Ayres of New Braintree. Mr. Ayres was a competent school-teacher and taught in the Center School in Oakham.

The Ayre's farm was then purchased by John Gaffney between 1861 and 1866 and remained in the Gaffney family until 1929 when it was sold to Mrs. Dolores George of Worcester.

The original house was gutted by fire in 1930 and the present house was constructed during 1930 and 1931 and was occupied by members of the George family until 1957 when it was purchased by Bertil and Dorothy Hagberg.

The Hagbergs sold the property to James and Grace Barringer of Marlboro in 1960 and the Barringer family has lived there up to the present time.

The name of the street on which the house is located was changed from George's Lane to Grace Lane by vote of the Town at a special town meeting held on May 30, 1975.

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

TOWN OFFICIALS

of the

Town of Oakham, Massachusetts



For the Year Ending December 31, 1976

James Barringer was born in England and received his education in British institutions. By way of Toronto, Canada and New York City he came to Worcester in 1950, as a Certified Public Accountant, where he joined the financial staff of Crompton and Knowles Corporation. In due course, he became Treasurer of the company and then Executive Vice-president and director. During his tenure as Executive Vice-president, he was instrumental in changing the character of Crompton and Knowles from a two plant New England operation, manufacturing the single product line of textile machines, to a diversified nationwide enterprise which has grown to be international in markets, facilities and other relationships. He was also a director of Warren Pumps Inc. Though he retired from Crompton and Knowles in 1971, he continues as a member of their Board of Directors.

Despite being extremely active in his professional and business careers, James Barringer did not overlook his civic obligations. He served on numerous committees. He served one term as Vice-president of the Worcester Economic Club and was for many years Director and Vice-president for legislative affairs of the Worcester Area Chamber of Commerce.

In 1967, James Barringer became one of the original lay trustees of Assumption College and in 1971 he accepted to become Treasurer of the Corporation. In that capacity, he spent a good deal of time on campus. Yet his presence was so discreet it went almost unnoticed. Notwithstanding his modesty and self-effacement he had been actively instrumental in putting the college in the black by having it bow to the Board of Trustees' mandate to maintain a balanced budget. He was awarded an honorary degree from Assumption in May, 1973.

A resident of Oakham, Massachusetts for 16 years, Mr. Barringer has served as Town Treasurer, Auditor, Chairman of the Planning Board, and Selectmen.

His contribution to the Town as a Town Official and also as a private citizen has been outstanding and we are fortunate that he has continued to keep up his interest in town affairs and to give us much needed help and advise from time to time.

It has been a privilege to us to have had the opportunity to serve with him and for the Town to have the benefit of his sound judgement extensive experience and professional approach to his responsibilities and duties.

The Town is much better for the years that he has served it.

Thank you Jim.



TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1976

THREE YEAR TERMS:

TERMS EXPIRE

SELECTMEN

Roger H. Lonergan, Chmn.	1977
Hazel M. Young, Clerk	1978
John C. March	1979

TOWN CLERK

Donna L. Neylon	1979
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TREASURER

Lloyd W. Buckley	1977
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TAX COLLECTOR

Gwendolyn E. Sanford, resignation effective Nov. 15, 1976	1978
Margaret Paradise, appointment effective Nov. 15, 1976	1977

MODERATOR

Frederick H. Lane	1979
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ASSESSORS

Eva F. Grimes, Chmn.	1979
Leonard W. Hardy, Jr.	1977
Gary W. McEachern	1978

BOARD OF HEALTH

Michael Gemelli, Chmn.	1977
Celeste Buckley Jenkins	1978
James F. Zelnia	1979

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Carol R. Spinney, Chmn.	1978
John H. Barringer, Quabbin Representative	1977
Robert W. Buron	1979

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

William A. Sampson, Chmn.	1978
Joan M. Dahl	1977
Dorothy V. Lupa	1979

THREE YEAR TERMS:

TERMS EXPIRE

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Robert A. Lindquist, Chmn.	1977
W. Aubrey D. March	1978
Robert B. Smethurst	1979

CONSTABLES

Harold E. Black, Sr.	all
Charles T. Casault	terms
Walter E. Cole	expire
Wesley H. Dwelly, resignation effective September 13, 1976	1977
Roger H. Lonergan	
Randall F. Packard	
Cheryl C. Benoit, appointment effective September 13, 1976	

FIVE YEAR TERMS:

TERMS EXPIRE

PLANNING BOARD

W. Aubrey D. March, Chmn.	1979
John D. Neylon, Jr., Clerk	1977
Hazel M. Young	1978
Robert A. Lindquist, Alt to Rep. to CMRPC	1980
Samuel B. Patch, Rep. to CMRPC	1981

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY MODERATOR:

THREE YEAR TERMS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Marcia D. O'Connor	1977
Bettyanne Parsons, Clerk	1977
Richard Riley	1978
Jane Carroll	1978
Leroy C. Spinney, Chmn.	1979
William Zukus	1979

PARKS AND RECREATION

Lionel A. Lajoie, Jr., Chmn.	1979
Robert W. Buron	1979
Roger H. Lonergan	1977

THREE YEAR TERMS:

TERMS EXPIRE

James F. Zelnia	1977
Suzanne Bullard, Clerk	1978
Gordon R. Cole	1978

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE
ONE YEAR TERMS:

John D. Neylon, Jr., Chmn. - Clerk	1977
John H. Barringer	1977
Richard W. Bechan	1977
Robert W. Buron	1977
Roger H. Lonergan	1977

STUDY COMMITTEE FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BUILDING

Wesley H. Dwelly	1977
Amy Donlin	1977
Roger H. Lonergan	1977
W. Aubrey D. March	1977
James D. McGrath	1977

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

REPORTS OF THE

TOWN CLERK

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

TAX COLLECTOR

TREASURER

PLANNING BOARD

BI-CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

LAKE DEAN IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

BOARD OF APPEALS

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

MARRIAGES - 1976

JANUARY

- 3--Paul H. Heller of Oakham and Janet E. Haggerty of Weymouth
- 7--Michael Eric Nolette of Oakham and Candace Lee Coskie of North Brookfield

FEBRUARY

- 14--Kenneth A. Pare of Oakham and Susan G. Mowry Martin of Worcester

JULY

- 10--Raymond A. Crawford of Oakham and Phyllis Louise Shays of Hubbardston
- 10--Alan William Harty of Barre and Suzanne Lynn Goodwin of Barre

AUGUST

- 13--Paul Edward Sokol of Oakham and Denise Ann McCarthy of North Brookfield

SEPTEMBER

- 3--Roger H. Carlson of Oakham and Ruth E. Gelatt Hill of Leicester

OCTOBER

- 22--Joseph D. Deery of Worcester and Loretta J. Gesell D'Elia of Worcester
- 30--James Carlson of North Brookfield and Patrucia L. Guntor of North Brookfield

BIRTHS - 1976

FEBRUARY

- 8--George Stephen Smichinski, Jr., son of George S. Smichinski and Kathleen Frances (Brown) Smichinski

MARCH

- 18--Brian Albert Crawford, son of Robert Edward Crawford and Barbara Ann (Young) Crawford

BIRTHS - 1976

APRIL

- 26--John Alan Drolet, son of Kevin Bruce Drolet and Carol Lense (Johnson) Drolet
 15--Scott Paul Ericson, son of Paul David Ericson and Linda Jane (Crystoff) Ericson

MAY

- 12--Leslie Bell Stewart, daughter of Duncan Leslie Stewart and Heather Bradford (Bell) Stewart

JUNE

- 21--Timothy William Wright, son of Merrill William Wright and Judy Diane (Goodwin) Wright

SEPTEMBER

- 5--Jessica Lyn Larrabee, daughter of John Paul Larrabee and Ann Louise (Cole) Larrabee

OCTOBER

- 6--Jaime McCord Parsons, daughter of William Frederick Parsons and Elizabeth Anne (Jankauskas) Parsons

NOVEMBER

- 2--William LeRoy McCaffrey, son of Leo Thomas McCaffrey Jr. and Judith Elizabeth Spinney McCaffrey
 24--Raymond Alan Crawford, Jr., son of Raymond Alan Crawford and Phyllis Louise (Shays) Crawford

DEATHS - 1976

JANUARY

- | | Y | M | D |
|---|----|----|----|
| 12--Beverly I. (Gustafson) Carlson, Adams Rd. | 33 | 11 | 0 |
| 13--Bessie E. (Thresher) Leno, Edson Rd. | 80 | 10 | 19 |
| 25--Alexander A. Pastick, Auburn | 57 | 11 | 23 |

MAY

- | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----|---|----|
| 6--Ralph Inman, Daniels, Maple Street | 82 | 6 | 17 |
| 27--Carl E. Fritze, New Braintree Rd. | 70 | 8 | 15 |

JUNE

- | | | | |
|----------------------------|----|---|----|
| 17--Raymond Harrison Field | 86 | 0 | 24 |
|----------------------------|----|---|----|

DECEMBER

- | | | | |
|---|----|----|---|
| 19--Edwin Merrill Conary, New Braintree Rd. | 91 | 11 | 2 |
|---|----|----|---|

NON-RESIDENTS BURIED IN TOWN:

	Y	M	D
FEBRUARY			
6--Maude I. Smith of Worcester	92-	8-	22
MARCH			
5--Blanche I. (Santimaw) Aubertine of North Brookfield	77-	9-	24
7--Catherine B. Fellows of West Medford	92-	5-	12
14--William J. Dailey of Woburn	60-	10-	23
SEPTEMBER			
24--Ivah C. (Cody) Newcomb of Barre	73-	10-	1
NOVEMBER			
11--Samuel W. Foss of Barre	14-	-	-

DOG LICENSES

104 Males @ \$3.00	\$312.00
28 Females @ \$6.00	148.00
74 Spayed Females @ \$3.00	222.00
3 Kennels @ \$10.00	30.00
0 Kennels @ \$25.00	.00
1 Kennel @ \$50.00	50.00
<u>2 License Transfers @ \$.25</u>	<u>.50</u>
212	\$762.50
Fees Retained @ \$.25	74.00
Net Return	<u>\$688.50</u>

The dog year begins on April 1st, and pets should be licensed by that date. Remember, if your own dog is not licensed, the Dog Officer can do nothing to help you if your pet turns up missing.

The Clerk usually receives the license books by March 20th. About half of the licenses issued each year are thru the mail and those issued at the Annual Rabies Clinic (sponsored by the Board of Health at the Fire Station each spring). See Report of Town Clerk for Office Hours.

The following information is needed for a dog license: Name and address of Owner, name of dog, breed, color, sex (if the dog is a Spayed Female, the Spayed Certificate must be shown the first time that it is licensed). Dogs are supposed to be licensed when they become three months of age.

The dog tag, which is given with the license, is important in helping to find a lost pet, or in identifying the owner of a stray dog. Strays should be reported to the dog officer (882-3031) with-in twenty-four hours. Duplicate dog tags, to replace lost ones, can be made up by the Town Clerk.

It is a State Law that all dogs MUST be vaccinated for Rabies every 24 months. This is as much for protection of people as it is for the health of your animal. Watch the newspaper for the date of the next Board of Health Rabies Clinic and save some money.

SPORTING LICENSES

72	Resident Fishing, Series 1 @ \$8.25	\$ 594.00
22	Resident Hunting, Series 2 @ \$8.25	181.50
40	Resident Sporting, Series 3 @ \$13.50	540.00
4	Resident Citizen Monor, Series 4 \$6.25	25.00
0	Resident Alien Fishing, Series 5 \$11.25	.00
1	Non-Res. Season Fishing, Series 6 \$14.25	14.25
3	Non-Res. 7 day Fishing, Series 7 @ \$8.25	24.75
0	Non-Res. Small Game, Series 8 @ \$20.25	.00
0	Non-Res. Commercial Shooting Preserve @ \$16.25	.00
0	Res-Cit. Minor Trapping, Series 10, \$6.25	.00
0	Res-Cit. Trapping, Series 11, \$11.50	.00
0	Duplicates, Series 12 @ \$1.00	.00
0	Resident Alien Hunting, Series 13 @ \$16.25	.00
0	Non-Res. Cit. Big Game Hunting, Series 14 @ \$35.25	.00
7	Res. Cit. Sporting over 70, Series 15, FREE	.00
0	Fishing-Parapl. Blind & Ment. Retarded, Series 16, FREE	.00
<u>0</u>	Hunting-Paraplegic, Series 17, FREE	<u>.00</u>
149		\$1,379.50

9	Archery Stamps @ \$5.10	45.90
<u>0</u>	<u>Waterfowl Stamps, Series 19, @ \$1.25</u>	<u>.00</u>
158	Licenses Sold	\$1,425.40
	Less fees \$.25 each license and Series 19 Stamp (except Series 15, 16 & no fee charged)	35.50
	Less fees \$.10 each on Series 18 Stamps	<u>.90</u>
		-36.40
	NET RETURN---	\$1,389.50

*** NO LICENSES SOLD ON SUNDAYS ***

Licenses are required for all persons, male or female over 15 years of age for Fishing (in all inland waters) and Hunting (any bird or mammal). Trapping licenses are required for all persons 12 years of age and over.

The fishing season has been changed on many species of fish--better check your Fish and Wildlife Laws!

All applications for antlerless deer permits and bear permits must be accompanied by \$.50 when they are mailed to Boston. Your application may be picked up from the Town Clerk in October and must be post marked by Nov. 1st.

This is the third year that Water Fowl Stamps have been sold. You must remember to sign your name over the face of this and the Archery Stamp.

LIST OF KNOWN NOTARYS OF THE PUBLIC

Ann M. Briggs, Ware Corner Road
 Robert W. Bosse, Maple Street
 Lloyd W. Buckley, Spencer Road
 Ernest W. Posson, North Brookfield Road
 Sumner E. Taylor, Jr. East Hill Road
 Walter Wojcik, North Brookfield Road

REGISTER TO VOTE

Before every Special and before the Annual Town Meeting and Election the Board of Registrars hold special Registration Sessions. Watch the Town Hall, Library and Post Office Bulletin Boards and the Barre Gazette and Worcester Telegram and Gazette for these special hours. At any of the Town Clerk's regular office hours, you may drop by to register to vote. There are plenty of chances to register so you have no good excuse for not doing so. It only takes a minute and it is your right to be registered and to vote. Every vote counts. You may register as soon as you move to Town and you may register to vote in your 17th year but you may not vote until the day before your 18th birthday. Once you are registered to vote you do not have to re-register again until you move from Town, or you marry and your name changes.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK - 1976

1976 was the 214th year since the formation of The Village of Oakham, it was the 200th Anniversary of our Nation and it also marked the start of my seventh year as your Town Clerk. Several things happened in the Office of the Town Clerk which, I feel, could be milestones in the growth of our Village and the Town Clerk position.

One of the most important milestones was the fact that there was established a Town Clerk Office in the Town Hall! Along with moving all of the important and valuable records from our home to the public office, I set up regular office hours.

These are every Tuesday and Thursday from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M. (other hours by appointment)--- This has several benefits, especially that your important business is not interrupted with our family matters and visa versa. These hours seem to be working out quite well. It is a known fact that the Town Clerk's job cannot be accomplished in just four hours a week! Therefore, if you spot my car in the Town Hall parking lot at any hour during the day--feel free to come in with your business--

but only prearranged business will take place in our home now.

As the Town grows--we now have over 900 in population the job grows and I am constantly re-evaluating myself, the office and my hours to best fit the needs of the Community.

At the Annual Town Meeting (1976), you saw fit to vote the \$200. necessary for the first year (of three) for my self, as your Town Clerk, to attend the Certified Municipal Clerk Institute. This Institute lasted five days and was held in August. Classes were two hours each and were in:

Interpersonal Communications	Personal Management
Election Laws	Public Speaking
Intergovernmental Finance	New Legal Concepts
Management Theory	

There were 67 Clerks present from the New England States. Two-thirds of those Clerks represented Mass.. The designation "Certified Municipal Clerk" or CMC, is granted to Municipal Clerks who have demonstrated professional attainment in education, experience, and association participation which enhances their skills and abilities as municipal executives. One of the major requirements towards a CMC is the completion of 100 hours (3 years) of instruction at a recognized professional development institute.

Upon reviewing my notes and memories of this Institute, I believe that I learned many valuable lessons, especially in the values of professionalism and communications. I find that I am looking forward to a second year of the stimulating learning experiences that the Institute crams into that concentrated week of growth.

Another learning experience that I had as Town Clerk was the result of the untimely death of my friend and Co-Clerk, Betty Sullivan of Barre. As I helped out in the Barre Town Clerk's Office, I not only made new friends, but I learned things that will help me as Oakham and my job continue to grow. I also saw what happens to a Town when a person does too much, is counted on too much and when no one else is trained to carry on after that person's passing. It made me glad that I have taught

others to perform certain duties and to make decisions, especially at Elections. I intend to continue this program.

There was another tragedy recently in a neighboring Town and this was New Braintree's fire which cost them their Town Hall. If this same fate comes to us, I cannot say whether or not our original records will be saved. Many of them are in the vault but many are not as the vault isn't large enough for our increased needs. But, thanks to the foresight of our Former Town Clerk, Dorothy Day Nelson, many of the Clerk's and Town's Records have been microfilmed (at no cost to the Town).

Oakham's list of voter registration grew to 569! We made 505 registered voters at the last Presidential Election. We had an 85% voter turn out at the Federal and State Election in November! The people of Oakham are becoming more actively interested in improving their lot. I believe that this is so because they do register to vote (about 90% of those eligible in Oakham are registered), but especially because they exercise their option and vote.

Thanks to our Dog Officer Dennis Casault and his wife Marcia, another milestone was passed---This was the first year that over 200 dogs were licensed--in fact over 230 dogs were licensed as of this writing.

Thank you for electing me for the third time last April. I consider it an honor and a challenge to be your chosen Town Clerk--Besides, I like the job!

Sincerely,

Donna L. Neylon

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, APRIL 9, 1976

All votes Oral and Unanimous, unless otherwise specified.

ARTICLE 1

It was voted that the Town transfer the sum of \$16,000 from the Highway Machinery Fund to the Highway Machinery Account.

ARTICLE 2

It was voted to pass over this article.

ARTICLE 3

It was voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury for use to help meet the cost of Snow Removal and Sanding during the current fiscal year.

ARTICLE 4

It was voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$65.45, received from the County in Dog Tax refunds, these funds to be used to help meet the cost of operating the Library.

ARTICLE 5

It was voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$48.52, received from the County under the provisions of its Dutch Elm Disease Control Program, these funds to be used to help meet the cost of Dutch Elm Disease Control.

ARTICLE 6

It was voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$300. from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury for use to help meet the costs of the Dog Officer Department

There were 35 voters and 3 guests present at this first meeting in the "new school".

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION (APRIL 5, 1976)
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING (APRIL 12TH AND 20TH, 1976)

ARTICLE 1

It was voted that the Annual Reports be accepted as printed.

ARTICLE 2

The following results of the Annual Town Election were read by the Town Clerk:

SELECTMAN, for three year term:

John C. March, North Brookfield Road	133 votes
	<u>29 blanks</u>
	162 total

TOWN CLERK, for three year term:

Donna L. Neylon, North Brookfield Rd.	141 votes
	<u>21 blanks</u>
	162 total

MODERATOR, for three year term:

Frederick H. Lane, Scott Road	138 votes
	<u>24 blanks</u>
	162 total

ASSESSOR, for three year term:

Eva F. Grimes, Rutland Road	135 votes
	<u>27 blanks</u>
	162 total

BOARD OF HEALTH, for three year term:

James F. Zelnia, Gaffney Road	115 votes
	<u>47 blanks</u>
	162 total

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, for three year term:

Robert W. Buron, South Road	138 votes
	<u>24 blanks</u>
	162 total

LIBRARY TRUSTEE, for three year term:

Dorothy V. Lupa, North Brookfield Rd.	142 votes
	<u>20 blanks</u>
	162 total

CEMETERY COMMITTEE, for three year term:

Robert B. Smethurst, N. Brookfield Rd.	119	votes
	<u>43</u>	blanks
	162	total

PLANNING BOARD, for three year term:

Samuel B. Patch, Ware Corner Rd.	138	votes
	<u>24</u>	blanks
	162	total

BOARD OF HEALTH, for two year term:

Celeste Buckley Jenkins, N. Braintree Rd.	108	votes
Francis Mucha, North Brookfield Rd.	51	votes
	<u>3</u>	blanks
	162	votes

BOARD OF HEALTH, for one year term:

Michael Gemelli, Ware Corner Rd.	125	votes
	<u>37</u>	blanks
	162	total

The following letter of commendation was read by the Moderator and written by the Board of Selectmen:

March 30, 1976

Mr. James Barringer, Selectman
Grace Lane
Oakham, Massachusetts 01068

Dear Jim,

We regret very much that you have decided to bring your outstanding career as a Selectman and an Official of the Town of Oakham to its conclusion at this time. However, we realize the sacrifices that you have made to carry out your duties in accordance with the high standards that you set for yourself.

Those of us who have worked with you during the many years that you have served the Town as its Treasurer, as a member of the Planning Board, and as a member of the Board of Selectmen, and in many other capacities, are well aware of the contributions that you have made to the Town and of the stature that you have added to the various offices that you have held. We appreciate the work that you have done for us.

We take this opportunity in behalf of the people of Oakham to thank you for the help that you have given us over the years and to offer you best wishes for your good health and happiness for many years to come.

Very truly yours,

Roger H. Lonergan (signed)
Hazel M. Young (signed)
Board of Selectmen

At this time the voters present, arose and applauded Mr. Barringer as a vote of thanks.

ARTICLE 4

It was voted that the salaries and compensation of all elective officers be fixed as follows:

Moderator	\$ 40.00
Selectmen	680.00
Treasurer	700.00
Town Clerk	700.00
Tax Collector	700.00
Assessors	700.00
School Committee	150.00
Library Trustees	50.00
Cemetery Committee	50.00

ARTICLE 3

It was voted that the following persons be elected to the position of Field Driver for the Town of Oakham for the ensuing year:

Eva F. Grimes, Rutland Road
Harold E. Black, Jr. Coldbrook Road
Pamela Hanson, Robinson Road

ARTICLE 5

It was voted that the matter of determining what compensation the Town will allow for men and equipment used in repairing highways and opening roads be left in the hands of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 26

It was voted that the Selectmen be authorized to combine certain Insurance Policies covering Town property and/or employees into one blanket policy and that the

sum of \$10,000 be raised and appropriated to meet the cost thereof.

ARTICLE 6

It was voted that the following amounts be raised and appropriated for use to pay salaries, expenses and outlays of the various departments: (totals only)

For General Government	\$ 18,400.00*
For Public Safety	22,550.00*
For Health and Sanitation	3,400.00
For Streets and Highways	27,150.00
For Public Assistance and Veterans' Services	7,500.00
For Schools and Library	266,274.00*
For Recreation and Unclassified	14,001.01
For Cemeteries	1,400.00
For Interest and Maturing Debt	62,800.00

Making a total of \$423,475.01 to be raised and appropriated or appropriated from available funds in the treasury for use to pay salaries, expenses and outlays of the several Town Departments for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1976 and ending June 30, 1977.

*--includes amendments

(note: It took 2 hours to vote on and discuss Article 6)

ARTICLE 7

It was voted that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the twelve month period beginning July 1, 1976, in accordance with General Laws Chapter 44 Section 4, and acts in amendment thereof, and including in addition thereto, Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended, and to renew any note or notes as may be given, for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17. Vote on this Article was oral and declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 8

It was voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purposes of a Reserve Fund. Vote on this article was oral and declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 9

It was voted that this Article be passed over.

ARTICLE 10

It was voted that any and all funds in the Highway Machinery Fund on July 1, 1976 be transferred to the Highway Machinery Account on that date. Vote on this article was oral and declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 11

It was voted that the Town accept the amount of \$260.00 in Trust for the perpetual care of Lot 8B in the Pine Grove Cemetery.

ARTICLE 12

It was voted that the sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purposes of the Stabilization Fund. Vote on this Article was by a show of hands. 37 Yes and 20 NO, declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 13

The motion was made that the report of the School Building Committee be accepted as printed on page 37 of the Town Report.

The amendment was made that the existing Committee be continued for another year. The amendment was passed and the vote read like this:

It was voted that the report of the School Building Committee be accepted as printed on page 37 of the Town Report and the existing Committee be continued for another year.

ARTICLE 14

This motion was made by Chester M. Rood of Barre Road.

The motion was made and seconded to change the name of the new elementary school to the "Jesse Allen School" and that Carol Spinney and the other members of the School Committee be appointed to take charge of securing and installing a sign on the front of the school building.

The first half of this motion was voted on by yes-no slips. The result was 25 YES and 41 NO. The motion was defeated and the second half of the motion was withdrawn.

ARTICLE 15

This motion was made by Raymond B. Crawford of Coldbrook Road.

It was voted that the Town of Oakham establish, under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8d,

an historical commission for the purposes and with the rights and duties provided by law, to be composed of five members, appointed by the Selectmen for the terms of three years, except that initial appointments shall be one member for three years, two for two years, and two for one year.

ARTICLE 16

This motion was made by the Board of Assessors.

It was voted that the sum of \$10,000 be raised and appropriated for the Board of Assessors' Revaluation Program and that \$3,000 of this sum be raised and appropriated thru the Federal Government's Revenue Sharing Program and the \$7,000 balance be raised and appropriated thru taxation in the Fiscal Year 1976-77.

Vote on this article was by yes-no slips. 51 YES and 11 NO. Declared carried by the Moderator.

At this time Midnight, the voters present voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting to April 19th, at 8:00 P.M. in the Multi-purpose room of Oakham Center School.

Under the provisions of Chapter 39, Section 9, the April 19th Meeting was changed by the Moderator and the Board of Selectmen to April 20, 1976 at 8:00 P.M. in the Multi-purpose room of Oakham Center School.

ARTICLE 17

It was voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated for use in connection with the weed control program for Dean Pond. Vote was oral and declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 20

It was voted that a committee be established to investigate the need, location and cost of a new Highway Department Building, this Committee to consist of five members to be appointed by the Moderator and to report back with their findings at the next Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 18

It was voted to lay this Article on the Table, by a show of hands vote 41 to 20.

At this time, Mr. Lloyd W. Buckley, Town Treasurer gave his report of the financial condition of the Town.

ARTICLE 19

It was voted that the sum of \$12,000.00 be raised and appropriated for use to help meet the cost of resurfacing certain Town Roads. Vote was oral and declared carried.

ARTICLE 21

It was voted that all funds available for the construction of New Braintree Road under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws be appropriated and that the Selectmen be authorized to use these funds for the improvements of certain town roads under the provisions of Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 22

It was voted that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated for the purposes of the Building Inspector.

ARTICLE 23

This motion was made by Robert A. Lindquist, North Brookfield Rd. The motion was made to establish a Housing Authority for the Town of Oakham under the General Laws Chapter 121 Amendment to Section 23 to 26 MM as amended by the 1967 Legislature.

The vote on this article was by yes-no slips and the results were: 55 NO and 16 YES, declared defeated.

ARTICLE 24

This motion was made by the Board of Assessors.

It was voted that the sum of \$350.00 be raised and appropriated and allocated to the Board of Assessors for the purpose of purchasing two reconditioned long-carriage typewriters.

ARTICLE 25

It was voted that the sum of \$100.00 be raised and appropriated for the purposes of the Board of Appeals.

ARTICLE 26

It was voted by a two-thirds vote (orally) to reconsider this vote, but the amendment offered was withdrawn and the article originally voted in the April 12th, 1976 meeting stands.

ARTICLE 27

It was voted that no action be taken on this matter

until a complete study of the Town's Insurance Program has been made by an insurance advisor, agent or other qualified party and that the sum of \$250.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the cost thereof.

ARTICLE 28

It was voted that the Town purchase a new check dispenser for the Treasury Department and the sum of \$800. be raised and appropriated to meet the cost thereof, additional funds, if necessary to be taken from the Treasury Department Account.

ARTICLE 18

It was attempted to remove this article from the table but the effort was defeated.

ARTICLE 16

It was voted to reconsider Article 16

It was voted to amend the Article by striking out everything after the words "Revaluation Program," and by adding the words "by taxation", so that the amended article would read: "that the sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated by taxation for the Board of Assessors Revaluation Program."

It was voted that the sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated by taxation for the Board of Assessors' Revaluation Program. Vote on this Article was by YES-NO slips. Results: 48 YES and 14 NO. Declared carried by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 12

This Article was brought up for reconsideration but was defeated and action stands as was voted on at the April 12th, 1976 meeting.

This last half of the Annual Town Meeting was adjourned at 11:12 P.M. A total of \$468,575.01 was raised and appropriated by taxation as a result of this meeting.

(All Articles are listed in the order voted upon.)

At the time of this meeting there were 511 registered voters in Oakham. 32% voted at the Town Election and 12% at the Town Meeting.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, JUNE 25, 1976

ARTICLE 1

It was voted that the sum of \$1,000.00, received from the State in Library Grants, be appropriated for use to help meet the cost of operating the Library during the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1976.

ARTICLE 2

It was voted that the sum of \$150.76, received from the County in Dog Tax Refunds be appropriated for use to help meet the cost of operating the Library during the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1976.

ARTICLE 3

It was voted that the sum of \$90.00, received from Asplundh Tree Experts for services performed by the Tree Warden, be appropriated for use to help meet the cost of operating the Tree Warden's Department during the current Fiscal Year.

ARTICLE 4

It was voted that the sum of \$3,000.00 be appropriated from Surplus Revenue for use to help meet the cost of operating the Fire Department during the current Fiscal Year. The vote on this Article was by written ballot and the results was 31 in favor and 13 against.

ARTICLE 5

It was voted that the sum of \$1,500.00 be appropriated from Surplus Revenue for use to help meet the cost of operating the Police Department during the current year (fiscal). The vote on this Article was by written ballot and the result was 34 in favor and 10 against.

ARTICLE 6

It was voted that the sum of \$1,075.00 be appropriated from funds received from the Federal Government under its Revenue Sharing Program for use to purchase four two-way radios for the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 7

This motion was made by Anthony A. Lupa, North Brookfield Road. "I hereby make the motion to reimburse the former School Building Committee Chairman in the amount

of \$660.96 for certain expenses directly raised to the building of the new school." This motion was seconded and discussed. After the question had been moved an amendment was raised and accepted by Mr. Lupa as part of his motion, to add "funds to come from surplus revenue" at the end of his motion. The amendment was first voted upon orally, result oral and unanimous., then written ballot was used for the completed motion which read like this:

I hereby make the motion to reimburse the former School Building Committee Chairman in the amount of \$660.96 for certain expenses directly raised to the building of the new school, funds to come from surplus revenue.

This motion was defeated in a written ballot, results, 12 in favor and 31 against passing. The Moderator declared the motion defeated.

ARTICLE 8

It was voted that the sum of \$243.21 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of certain work to be done under the provisions of Chapter 90 Improvements and that the sum of \$729.63 be appropriated from Surplus Revenue to meet the State's and County's share of the cost of this work, State and County shares to be reimbursed on the completion of the work.

ARTICLE 9

It was voted that the sum of \$2,600.00 be raised and appropriated for use to meet a payment due during the coming Fiscal Year on funds borrowed for the construction of the road serving the new elementary school. Oral and declared carried.

ARTICLE 10

It was voted that the sum of \$1,400.00 be raised and appropriated for use in conjunction with and in addition to any funds which may be allotted by the County and/or the Commonwealth for the improvement of Town Roads during the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1976.

ARTICLE 11

It was voted that the sum of \$24,623.00 be raised and appropriated for use in conjunction with and in addition to funds raised and appropriated at the 1976 Annual Town Meeting for the purpose of operating the Oakham School Program during the Fiscal Year July 1, 1976 to June 20,

1977. The vote on this article was oral and declared carried.

A total of \$28,866.21 was voted to be raised and appropriated by taxation during the 1976-77 fiscal year at this meeting.

This meeting was held in Memorial Hall and about 50 registered voters were present.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 15, 1976

The tax rate of \$420.00 per thousand was announced.

ARTICLE 1

It was voted that the Board of Selectmen be given authority to make application for a Grant, or Grants of funds, under the provisions of the Public Works Employment Act of 1976, and to accept and expend these funds, if and when received, for the purpose of constructing a public work building for the Town.

ARTICLE 2

It was voted that the sum of \$358.80, received as a gift from a citizen of the Town, be accepted and appropriated for use to purchase new equipment for the Fire Department and that said citizen(s) be given a vote of thanks for his generosity.

ARTICLE 3

It was voted that the sum of \$540.00 received from the Federal Government in the form of a grant for Library purposes, be appropriated for use to help meet the cost of operating the Library during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1976.

ARTICLE 4

It was voted that the sum of \$102.03, received by the Town from the sale of used books by the Library Committee be used to help meet the cost of operating the Library.

ARTICLE 5

It was voted that the sum of \$49.25 be appropriated from the Alfred Parks Wright Memorial Fund for use to

help meet the cost of certain improvements to the Wright Park Ball Field. Oral and declared carried.

ARTICLE 6

It was voted that the sum of \$100 be appropriated from the care of Town Common Account for use to help meet the cost of operating the Summer Recreation Program. Oral and declared carried.

ARTICLE 7

It was voted that the sum of \$2,700.00 be appropriated from the Highway Safety Fund for use to meet the cost of furnishing and installing School Zone Traffic Signals, these funds to be returned to the Highway Safety Fund upon receipt of reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

This meeting was held in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Oakham Center School with 31 registered voters present.

STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 2, 1976

OAKHAM ELECTION RESULTS

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Anderson & Shackelford	3
Camejo & Reid	0
Carter & Mondale	227
Ford & Dole	231
LeRouche, Jr. & Evans	0
McCarthy & Stouffer	18
Bubar & Dodge	0
Levin & Blomen	0
MacBride & Bergland	0
Wright & Spock	0
Hubert Humphrey (write-in)	<u>1</u>
	480
	blanks <u>8</u>
	total votes <u>488</u>

SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Edward M. Kennedy	274
Michael S. Robertson	198

Carol Henderson Evans	4
H. Graham Lowry	0
	blanks <u>12</u>
	total 488

CONGRESSMAN SECOND DISTRICT

Edward M. Boland	251
Thomas P. Swank	171
John D. McCarthy	16
	blanks <u>50</u>
	total 488

COUNCILLOR SEVENTH DISTRICT

Leo J. Turo	328
	blanks <u>160</u>
	total 488

SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT SECOND WORCESTER DISTRICT

Robert A. Hall	377
	blanks <u>111</u>
	total 488

 REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
 SECOND WORCESTER DISTRICT

Dennis J. Baker	226
Paul Quattrociochi, Jr.	234
	blanks <u>28</u>
	total 488

CLERK OF COURTS WORCESTER COUNTY

Philip J. Philbin	355
	blanks <u>133</u>
	total 488

REGISTER OF DEEDS WORCESTER DISTRICT

Anthony J. Vigliotti	341
blanks	<u>147</u>
total	488

COUNTY COMMISSIONER WORCESTER COUNTY

Paul X. Tivnan	245
Lillian M. Kelly	178
William J. O'Connor, III	165
Norma Cash Smith	142
blanks	<u>246</u>
total	976

QUESTION NO. 1

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution
(equal rights women)

Yes	290
No	167
blanks	<u>31</u>
total	488

QUESTION NO. 2

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution
(graduated income tax)

Yes	142
No	325
blanks	<u>21</u>
total	488

QUESTION NO. 3

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution
(absentee voting)

Yes	240
No	218
blanks	<u>30</u>
total	488

QUESTION NO. 4

Law proposed by an initiative petition
(state power authority)

yes	39
No	421
blanks	28
total	<u>488</u>

QUESTION NO. 5

Law proposed by Initiative Petition
(gun law)

Yes	52
No	426
blanks	10
total	<u>488</u>

QUESTION NO. 6

Law proposed by an Initiative Petition
(bottle bill)

Yes	288
No	194
blanks	6
total	<u>488</u>

QUESTION NO. 7

Law proposed by an Initiative Petition
(flat rate)

Yes	97
No	379
blanks	12
total	<u>488</u>

QUESTION NO. 8

Non Binding (oil refinery--off shore)

Yes	303
No	149
blanks	36
total	<u>488</u>

QUESTION NO. 9

Non Binding (open pkg. stores, etc. on Sunday)

Yes	307
No	161
blanks	20
total	<u>488</u>

There were 85.7% of all eligible voters casting
their ballot at this election!

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

APPOINTMENTS

Highway Superintendent	Wesley Dwelly
Chief of Police	Norman L. Drolet
Fire Warden	Randall F. Packard
Wire Inspector	LeRoy C. Spinney
Inspector of Animals	Henry W. Stone, Jr.
Dog Officer	Dennis W. Casault
Veterans Agent	Josephine Stone
Burial Agent	Josephine Stone
Custodian of Town Hall	Robert C. Phoenix
Town Counsel	William C. Perrin, Jr.
Forester	H. Roscoe Crawford
Gas Inspector	Roger C. Munn
Plumbing Inspector	Roger C. Munn
Town Accountant	Dorothy Lupa
Civil Defense Director	Sumner E. Taylor, Jr.
Wachusett Home Health Care Agent	May Kawaky
Building Inspector	Richard Bechan
Assistant Building Inspector	Henry Marchessault

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Leone B. Daniels	Carol Carlson
Donna Neylon	Maude M. Stone

POLICE OFFICERS

Norman L. Drolet	Ruth Drolet
Kevin Drolet	Richard Bechan
Calvin Stewart	Kenneth Drolet
Bradford Taylor	Roland Skowra
Frederick Stone	Howard Dean
Janice Crawford	Alexander Crawford II
Walter E. Cole	Duncan Stewart

LOCAL GROWTH POLICY COMMITTEE

Charles Dean	Suzanne Carlson
Ruth Chestna	Mary E. Spinney
Garrett Donlin	Aubrey March
Roger Lonergan	

OAKHAM HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Lewis Hodgkinson
 Albert Parkman
 Maude Stone

Marvell Mann
 Carol Spinney
 Charles Dean

JURORS
 (December 31, 1976)

Adam Chestna
 William Salminen

William Zukus
 Charles Casault

(Drawn during 1976)

Virginia Seeley

Jocelyn Wile

ORGANIZATION OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Chairman
 Clerk
 Third Member

Roger H. Lonergan
 Hazel M. Young
 John C. March

Acting Clerk - Bettyann Parsons

The following is a summary of the activities of the Board of Selectmen during the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 1976. Reports of the financial affairs of the Town during the Fiscal year ending June 30, 1976 are carried in the back section of the Report.

The ordinary duties of the Board were carried out as usual throughout the year. Regular meetings were held on Tuesday evenings of each week and special meetings were held as required. Regular meetings started at 7 P.M. with the first half hour being given over to routine business such as approving bills and treasury warrants, issuing licenses and permits, handling correspondence etc. The meetings were open to participation by the general public from 7:30 P.M. on, as long as required.

Two new committees were appointed by the Board during the year and a third by the Moderator. They consisted of the Local Growth Policy Committee, The Oakham Historical Commission and a Study Committee for the purpose of investigating the need, location and cost of a new Highway Department Building. Both committees and the historical commission have held meetings during the year. The Growth

Policy Committee has prepared a report outlining its position on what the Growth Policy of the Town should be while the Highway Building Committee prepared an application to the Federal Government for funding of a new Public Works Building for the Town. The Historical Commission has held two or more meetings and is determining its policies and obtaining information for future meetings.

The Board has been concerned for some time over the serious financial condition that the Town is facing. This situation is not unique to the Town of Oakham as nearly every town and city is in the same position. However it is important that we do everything possible to hold down our expenditures while at the same time making sure that we are receiving all of the revenue that we are entitled to.

In order to help reduce expenditures and to have better information about certain purchases before they have been made the Board has set up a requisition system for the purchases of supplies, equipment etc. While this system is in its first stages and is far from being completely effective at the present time we feel that with co-operation from everyone it will bring about substantial savings in the future.

Work has been carried on during the year on the preparation of a set of real estate maps of the Town and on a program of valuation of all real property in the Town. Both projects were nearing completion at the end of the year.

We again wish to thank the people of the Town for giving us the opportunity to work with them for their help and cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger H. Lonergan
Hazel M. Young
John C. March
Board of Selectmen

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

The Tax Collector received and paid to the Town Treasurer the amounts listed below. These amounts were received for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976.

Real Estate	\$181,526.60
Personal Property	58,582.98
Farm Animal	1,055.58
Motor Vehicle Excise	30,705.12
Charges and Fees	193.00
Interest	1,263.51
In lieu of M.D.C.	<u>25,219.22</u>
	\$298,546.01

Outstanding taxes listed below are of the same fiscal period ending June 30, 1976.

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1973	\$ 2,594.23
1974	3,771.11
1975	4,495.58
1976	5,282.78

FARM ANIMAL

1975	25.62
1976	370.40

PERSONAL PROPERTY

1976	1,530.30
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REAL ESTATE

1974	587.28
1975	2,508.08
1976	<u>31,344.38</u>
	\$ 52,509.76

Respectfully submitted,

Gwendolyn E. Sanford

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

I herewith submit the following report for the fiscal period ended June 30, 1976.

For the first time in the recorded financial history of the Town of Oakham, it became necessary to obtain two Anticipation of Revenue loans; one in the amount of \$60,000.00 and the other in the amount of \$100,000.00. The first note was at the rate of 3.25% per annum, the second was at the rate of 3.4% per annum. This unusual situation was caused by a cash flow that was insufficient to meet the expenditures.

Fortunately, the predicted rate of interest peak of 6% per annum for this type of loan was not reached during this fiscal period.

It was also necessary to borrow \$10,000.00 for the Elementary School road construction at the rate of 6% per annum.

The significant increase in the balance of the Special Funds Account over last year of \$17,000.00 was due in part to the addition of \$10,000.00 to the Stabilization Fund, which was approved by the voters at the annual Town Meeting.

For fiscal 1977, the financial picture is expected to be no better. Interest rates are again expected to reach 6% or more.

STATEMENT OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance July 1, 1975	\$106,162.08
Received during period	773,686.81
Cash available	879,848.89
Disbursed during period	825,599.49
Balance June 30, 1976	\$ 54,249.40
Alden Fund	6,651.04
Total Cash on Hand June 30, 1976	<u>\$ 60,900.44</u>
Elementary School Construction Fund	<u>\$ 26,997.38</u>

TRUST AND OTHER FUNDS

LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS	\$ 16,208.53
SPECIAL FUNDS	77,399.82

MUNICIPAL DEBT

School Loan FHA (5%)	611,000.00
Anticipation of Revenue Loan	160,000.00
Highway Dept. Loader	<u>11,000.00</u>
	<u>\$875,608.35</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Lloyd W. Buckley
Treasurer

1976 REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

In 1976 the Planning Board continued on with our attempts to revise the Zoning By-Law of Oakham, which by the time that you read this report, may even have gone before you for your vote.

The Board has increased it's working nights to two nights weekly during these past few months in an attempt to conclude our deliberations on zoning in this period of Oakham's growth.

Samuel B. Patch continued on as our Central Mass. Regional Planning Commission Representative and Robert A. Lindquist as our Alternate Representative. W. Aubrey D. March was re-elected as our Chairman and during the middle of the year Sam Patch assumed the duties as Clerk to the Board.

In the spring, Mrs. Hazel M. Young and myself took a multi-week course in Sub-Division Control, conducted at the University of Mass., on the Worcester campus.

It is of the most import to Oakham to know of the vast increase of the transfers of land and properties that has occurred in the past year. The Board was presented with it's first actual Sub-Division under the Sub-Division Control Law, Chapter 81. The Board is going thru the preliminary phase of this Sub-Division as this report is being written, with two additional plans pending.

It is my opinion that the face of Oakham will be much changed in the next five year period, especially if all of the approved house lots are built on within this period.

I think a statement should be made on behalf of the Planning Board with respect to the local, small-town conception of cooperation. Each member, upon assuming duties swears an oath to uphold the law. It must be understood that these Board members, as well as other Elected Officials, must think of all parties concerned in the matters brought before them. Planning Board deliberations in the near and distant future will require more time

and patience on behalf of all parties concerned. Definite procedures for functions relating to the Planning Board will be set forth shortly and adhered to for both Oakham's protection and the protection of the petitioners.

I wish to say, on my own behalf, that my five years as a member of the Planning Board have helped me to better understand how local government works, the people that make it work and how difficult it is for a layman to put law into effect in as fair a way as possible. I hope to be able to serve Oakham again in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

John D. Neylon, Jr.

Hazel M. Young

Robert A. Lindquist

Samuel B. Patch, Clerk

W. Aubrey D. March, Chmn.

BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

As the Bicentennial Year came into being our committee began to formulate plans for a recreation of "Old Home Days". We at first thought of having it during the July weekend, but after much thought decided on the last week end in August. This was more in keeping with the original celebrations.

The 28th of August was the big day! It began with a flag raising ceremony at 9:00 A.M. The skies were cloudy and we began to think that rain might spoil seven months of planning. However, the day went as planned and we enjoyed sunny skies and much enthusiasm despite a small turnout of townspeople.

Many of the old time events were held. Horribles Parade pie judging, bicycle races, log sawing and rolling pin throwing contests. The day ended with a band concert and baseball game. There was lots of ice cream and prize ribbons and good old fashioned fun.

Other events of the year included a Bicentennial Fashion Show sponsored by the P.T.O. It featured many of the gowns owned by the Historical Society.

On July 3rd the Fire Department sponsored "Derby Day". Many children participated by decorating bicycles, doll carriages and tricycles. A soap box derby was held and Martha Bechan was the day's victorious driver.

A parade complete with marchers, antique cars, fire engines and mounted riders was held ending at Pine Acres with a "Revolutionary Muster". Our thanks to the Fire Department for an excellent day.

The Women of Oakham worked diligently on a quilt depicting buildings that are a part of our history. Once again our thanks to each one for her hard work.

On July Fourth our town took part in a "National Bell Ringing". The Deacons of the Church and one or two other handy men climbed into the bell tower and rang the bell of the church to wish our nation a happy birthday!

A transcript of the Town's events has been entered in the National Archives in Washington, D.C. We received a letter of recognition from President Ford and a commorative certificate from John Warner, National Chairman of the Bicentennial Commission.

We stayed within our budget and returned a balance of \$37.37 to the town.

My thanks to the members of our local committee for all of their efforts this past year. To all town officials for their help I am most appreciative.

This committee's job is over and we are glad that we could have served you during the past two years.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Carrol Spinney, Ch.
Mrs. Linda Barringer
Mr. Charles Dean
Mrs. Marvell Mann
Mr. John Neylon
Mr. LeRoy Spinney
Mrs. Maude Stone

REPORT OF THE DEAN POND IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION AQUATIC WEED & ALGAE CONTROL

To the members of the Dean Pond Improvement Association
and the Citizens of Oakham

1. Lycott Environmental Research Company of Sturbridge,
Mass. was awarded the contract in 1976 as low bidder.
2. The initial treatment of Dean Pond was performed
during the latter part of June 1976.
3. A secondary spot treatment of Dean Pond was per-
formed in August 1976.

SUMMARY:

Collectively, the Dean Pond Improvement Association
and the Town of Oakham has invested a total of \$8,200.00
over the past four years to bring this lake back into
balance with nature. Let us not loose sight in the need
to continue with our maintenance program each year, and
make this investment an asset for all parties concerned.

We wish again to express our very sincere appreciation
to the Town of Oakham for their continuous support.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne R. Baldwin, Chairman
Dean Pond Improvement Association

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To: Citizens & Selectmen of Oakham, Mass.

FROM: Oakham Historical Commission

SUBJECT: Inception & Organization of the Oakham Historical Commission for Town Annual Report for the Year of 1976.

At the April 1976, meeting, the following Article was submitted by Raymond B. Crawford and approved by the voters:

"I move that the Town of Oakham establish, under provisions of General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 8d, an historical commission for the purposes and with the rights and duties provided by law, to be composed of six members, appointed by the Selectmen for the terms of three years except the initial appointment shall be two members for three years, two for two years, and two for one year."

The following persons were appointed to the Historical Commission at the Selectmen's meeting on August 10:

Albert Parkman, Carol Spinney, 2 years; Maude Stone, Charles Dean, 1 year; Marvel Mann and Lewis Hodgkinson, 3 years.

The first meeting of the Historical Commission members was at 7:30 p.m., Monday, November 22, 1976 at the Fobes Memorial Library. It was organizational in character.

The following members were present: Maude Stone, Albert Parkman, Charles Dean, and Lewis Hodgkinson. Lewis Hodgkinson was elected chairman.

The following occurred as discussions:

1. We felt that we should not be a regulatory body, nor should we put any pressure on anyone, nor impinge upon the rights of others in the exercise of our duties as members of the Historical Commission..that we should be an advisory body to the Citizens of Oakham through the Board of Selctmen.

2. We felt that one of our first activities should be the listing, an inventory, of as many areas, sites, structures, etc. in Oakham as is known which may have a historical background. Such an inventory would be sent

to the Mass. Historical Commission, 40 Beacon St., Boston, Mass. 02108, for their files on Historical places.

3. In anticipation of this first meeting, Lewis Hodgkinson wrote to the Mass. Historical Commission on Nov. 10, 1976 for the following information (reply not rec'd as of this writing Nov. 23), to the effect:

- a. Would there be future statewide workshops for educational purposes for Historical Commission members?
- b. Would the Mass. Historical Commission please send us: "Forms and Manuals for Inventory are available at no cost from the Mass. Historical Commission."
- c. Would they please also send us a copy or copies of the Law having to do with town Historical Commissions; the Law on the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966; and an up-dating on the Budget of the Mass. Historical Commission as it concerns the Town Historical Commissions.

4. We felt that we need this information in order to start functioning properly.

5. The date of the next meeting, open to the public, will be on Monday, December 27, 1976 at 7:30 p.m at the Fobes Memorial Library. Public notices will be posted in public places and in the Barre Gazette in plenty of time in accordance with the law.

6. The first meeting of the Oakham Historical Society adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Submitted by Chairman

Lewis Hodgkinson
Oakham Historical Commission

REPORT OF THE OAKHAM BOARD OF APPEALS

To the citizens of Oakham:

The growth of new home construction in our town continues at a rapid pace. With growth comes unusual needs or exception, natural or man made, that requires review by the Board of Appeals relative to Oakham zoning by-laws.

The Board of Appeals heard two petitions in 1976. Both these cases involved temporary trailer permits while constructing a permanent house dwelling upon the property.

During 1977 we expect an increase in petition requests by our board. We trust that as these cases present themselves the citizens of Oakham will attend these public hearings and express their views.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne R. Baldwin, Chairman
Linda Barringer, Clerk
Martin Gilvar, Asst. Chairman

OAKHAM SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM - 1976

A REPORT

To the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Citizens of Oakham

The seventh summer of the playground program was an exciting, enriching experience for the youth of Oakham. The program was conducted at the new elementary school and ran for four weeks commencing July 13 and ending Aug. 6. More than 50 children ranging from kindergarten through Grade 8 attended and the average daily attendance was 37.

Swimming lessons conducted by Joseph Valardi were held at Colbrook Country Club the two weeks prior to the playground and the program was supported enthusiastically.

The program was exceptionally enjoyable to the youth of the town this past summer as we were able to use the facilities at the new school. Kris Wilson assisted with arts and crafts; Susan Lajoie, Peter Bosse, and Sally Jamara were capable aides to the program.

Thanks to the Oakham School Committee for the use of the school grounds; Duncan Stewart for his unselfish cooperation; those parents who provided transportation for field trips; and special thanks to the townspeople for caring about the youth of their town.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Staiti

PUBLIC SAFETY

REPORTS OF THE

POLICE DEPARTMENT

FIRE DEPARTMENT

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

DOG OFFICER

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department continues to give the Town the best service possible. This year the department completed the refresher course for cardiopulmonary resuscitation required by the state. Several courses were taken in an effort to keep up with the ever changing laws and procedures. Many of the things previously done by the state are now forced upon the town such as fingerprinting, photographing, lengthy monthly reports the state and certain investigations.

The police department wishes to thank the townspeople for their alertness in reporting anything unusual or suspicious.

The mutual aid agreement between police chiefs in this area has been extremely satisfactory.

THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS, SUMMONS AND ARRESTS.

Abuse of a minor	3	Kidnapping	2
Accidents	57	Larceny	21
Armed Robbery	1	Missing Persons	4
Arson	8	Malicious Mischief	14
Assault and Battery	4	Narcotic Invest.	7
Assault & Battery/ dangerous weapon	8	Protective Custody	5
Attempted suicide	2	Rape	1
Breaking, entering, & larceny	30	Recovered Property	21
Disturbances	18	Runaways	5
Fatal Accidents	1	Suspicious Persons	53
Hospital trips	49	Threatening	3
		Trespassing	6
		Miscellaneous	72

Respectfully submitted,

Norman L. Drolet

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department responded to the following fires from July 1, 1976 to February 1, 1977:

House Fires	7	Brush Fires	5
Chimney fires	6	False alarms	2
Car fires	3	Other	1
Electrical fires	2		

This past year our main goal has been to emphasize continued training and instruction for the firefighters. Taught by the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, the Minutemen Fire School and our own department instructors, the following courses were satisfactorily completed by the majority of the members:

Fire Tactics & Strategy
 Fire Investigation, Part I
 Electrical Fire Tactics
 CPR - Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation
 Ice Rescue and Recovery
 Mutual Aid Size-up & Orientation
 Minutemen Fire School (courses varied)

In addition to continued practical instruction, the Women's Auxiliary has undergone some training and has been instrumental in assisting at fires when manpower is low. The department is coming to rely on their help and is grateful for their support.

The tank truck is back in operation after hundreds of man hours, most of which were donated by Lt. Tom Snay. Without his expertise, this task would not have been possible and for this we owe him our thanks.

For the coming year, in addition to replacing some aged and obsolete equipment, we anticipate being able to winterize the fire station in order to reduce excessive fuel consumption. We hope that you will continue to support our fund raising events so that these needs can be met and we can continue to provide competent fire protection.

Respectfully submitted,
 Randy Packard, Fire Chief

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Dairy Herds:	12	Beef Herds:	
Cows age 2 & over	181	Cows-age 2 & over	11
Heifers, age 1 to 2	45	Heifers-age 1 to 2	9
Calves, under 1 year	76	Calves, under 1 yr.	6
Bulls	2	Bulls	1
Steers	None	Steers	3
Goats	15	Sheep	26
Swine	22	Swine Herds	6
Horses	32	Ponies	13
Stable Use: Private	16		
Boarding	None		
Training	None		
Rental/Lesson	None		

Respectfully submitted,

Henry W. Stone, Jr.
Inspector of Animals

DOG OFFICER REPORT 1976

The past year has been an extremely busy one for me as Dog Officer.

In the spring the town purchased a dog kennel for me, so that I could keep dogs in a more appropriate place.

The state now requires that all stray dogs are kept for a minimum of 10 days not 7 as in the past. This may not sound bad until you think about the work involved. Every dog that I pick up has to be fed twice a day, exercised and his pen must be cleaned every day.

This year I had more than average amount of calls pertaining to stray or abandoned animals. I have answered 10 calls concerning cats and have picked up 6 kittens and 4 dogs that were abandoned. If you have plans of dumping a cat or dog on the side of the road, don't do it. Call me I might be able to find a good home for him.

During the past few months I have been called on several occasions about dogs running in packs or causing unnecessary disturbances. Owners are required to keep their dogs within the boundaries of their property.

One of the most important parts of my job is to make sure that all dogs are licensed. Many people do not realize the importance of a dog license until it is too late. If your dog becomes lost there is no way of finding him unless that little gold tag is around his neck. A dog license is a valuable thing not only to your dog but to you.

The following is a summary of my year's work.

- 81 calls
- 26 stray dogs & cats picked up
- 20 dogs reported lost
- 5 dogs taken to Holden Animal Shelter
- 6 kittens taken to Holden Animal Shelter
- 4 dogs placed in homes
- 3 animal rescues
- 3 Worcester County Dog Officer meeting attended
- 235 Dogs licensed

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis W. Casault
Oakham Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE

We would like to thank Mr. Calvin Stewart for his help in the past year, also, we wish to extend our thanks to all others for their help and interest in the up-keep of the cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Aubrey D. March
Robert Smethurst
Robert A. Lindquist
Mrs. Maude Stone, Clerk

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

General Road Maintenance, consisting primarily of drainage, scraping, patching and brush cutting, was carried out as usual. Approximately 7,000 lineal feet of Coldbrook Road received a 3/4" road mix in order to reinforce the original surface and improve the riding quality of the road. Because of increasing material costs and dwindling State and County participation, it became necessary to initiate a road oiling program using town funds to properly maintain our existing bituminous road surfaces.

EQUIPMENT

Principal items of equipment owned by the town Dec. 31, 1976

- 1 - 1965 - John Deere Tractor Loader with Mower
- 1 - 1973 - Trojan 2 c.y. 4 W.D. Loader
- 1 - 1976 - Mack Diesel Dump Truck
- 1 - 1970 - 80 Series Chevrolet Dump Truck
- 1 - 1972 - L-800 Ford Truck
- 1 - 1973 - 20 Series Chevrolet 4 W. D. Pickup Truck
- 1 - 1950 - Austin Western Grader
- 1 - 1972 - Torwell 6 c.y. Automatic Sander
- 1 - 1975 - Tartan 6 c.y.
- 4 - One-Way Snow Plows
- 1 - Vee-Type Snow Plow
- 1 - Motor Driven, Truck Drawn Road Sweeper
- 1 - Line Striping Machine
- 2 - Chain Saws

Respectfully Submitted,

Wesley H. Dwelly
Highway Superintendent

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The new board has tried to uphold the standards of the outgoing board and will continue to do so as long as we are in office.

The Campgrounds in town were inspected, recommendation made and permits duly issued.

The Oakham Center School and the Lakeview Spa were inspected and permits duly issued.

Treasure Valley was discovered to be under our jurisdiction and will be inspected before officially opening in the spring.

The board, represented mostly by Mr. Gemelli, was kept informed of current rules and regulations by his attending various state board of health meetings.

Water from the bathing areas in town was analyzed by the state lab.

The Rabies clinic was undertaken with New Braintree and was fairly successful.

New Dumping hours were established as was a new Sanitary Landfill Engineer.

Numerous sewerage disposal works permits were issued according to state regulations.

Two Swine Flu Clinics were held and were fairly successful.

Michael Gemelli, Chairman
Celeste Jenkins, Clerk
James Zelnia, Member

LIBRARY AND SCHOOLS

REPORT OF THE

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

LIBRARIAN

OAKHAM CENTER SCHOOL

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

UNION 63

QUABBIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BUDGETS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FOBES MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation	\$4,950.00
State Grant	1,000.00
Dog Tax Refund	65.45
Interest from Trust Funds	<u>1,175.80</u>
Total Available	\$7,191.25
Expended	<u>\$7,191.25</u>

As the town continues to grow and expenses to rise, the library along with other town departments finds it more difficult to stay with-in the same budget it did four years ago. In order to augment our appropriated funds the department applied for grants and used accumulated interest from trust funds. Besides the state grant of \$1,000.00, a Title I Grant was received and this was used to improve the basements of the Library where our older research books can now be stored. However, this area now needs chairs, carpeting, and a dropped ceiling to cushion the sound from above. The entire exterior is also badly in need of paint and minor woodwork repair. Completion of this project is our goal for 1977.

The library continues to host the Historical Society and offers a Tuesday morning Story Hour for preschool children. Small groups are also welcome to use the Reading Room for meetings at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

William A. Sampson, Chairman
Dorothy V. Lupa
Joan A. Dahl

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

More than ten thousand volumes and pieces of related equipment were loaned to patrons during the past year. Our small record collection remains popular and framed prints received through the bookmobile are also gaining popularity as loan material.

The Story Hour each Tuesday morning at 10 O'clock, continues to be well attended and the Reading Room a gathering place for mothers and babies. If you are a new resident and would like to join us please feel free to do so.

Another well attended event was our Arts and Crafts Exhibit. This was the largest and most varied exhibit we have had and we extend our thanks to the Friendship Circle for their assistance.

In conjunction with the Bicentennial celebrations we arranged a photographic display for Old Home Day and our Bicentennial Arts & Crafts group completed a quilt that will remain in the library as our contribution to the countries' celebration.

The library continues to host the Historical Society meetings and any small groups or committees who wish to use the Reading Room as a meeting place.

Our largest project this past year took place in the basement area where we are creating a research area for the adult population. A Title I Grant provided money for bookshelves, painting the floor, a stair rail, better lighting and one large table. At the present time the area is usable but much improvement is needed to complete this project.

Each year the library receives more and more requests for information. These requests range from where to get a baby sitter to how to write a resume for a better job. To assist these people we have applied for another Title I Grant and in the future will be able to offer assistance in this field.

If its local news your interested in, stop in the

Reading Room and browse through the Barre Gazette, which we subscribed to this past year. A copy of the new Worcester Magazine also is available and lists area events in a monthly calendar.

The library is open Tuesdays from 11:00 A. M. to 4:30 P. M. , and Thursdays from 1:00 P. M. to 4:30 P. M. and Thursday evening from 7 - 9:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted

Maude Stone
Librarian

OAKHAM CENTER SCHOOL

SCHOOL REPORT 1975-1976

The school year '75-'76 was one of great anticipation for students and staff. It marked the first year of occupancy in our new Oakham Center School on Deacon Allen Drive. The building proved to be both functional and attractive providing all involved with an excellent learning facility.

We began the year in our new building with several new programs. As host school for Union #63 we were fortunate to have both a Clinical Nursery Program under the direction of Ms. Betty Kolofsky, and an Adjustment Class under the direction of Mr. Timothy Gilrein. The staff and students of these programs proved to be positive assests to our overall school program.

Grades 4,5, & 6 were pooled in a departmental manner under the direction of Mr. Mark Steina, Language Arts Instructor, and the Principal, as Math/Social Studies Instructor. This arrangement worked very well and will be continued in following years.

Ms. Betty Kolofsky again handled our Kindergarten class providing her first year students with a unique blend of social and educational activities. Ms. Janet Krueger assumed the role of teacher for grades 1 & 2. Ms. Krueger proved to be an excellent teacher providing her students with a strong academic foundation from which to build. Ms. Marjorie Hamilton, through the departmentalization of grades 4,5, & 6 was able to spend the better part of each day as the teacher of grade 3. This allowed Ms. Hamilton to devote a great deal of attention to this most important grade. Ms. Margaret Frost, Ms. Jerilyn Babineau and Ms. Michelle Salem provided us with excellent tutorial help for our Title I and Special Needs students. The Vocal Music program was handled by Ms. Rose Bartley while Mr. John Hanson was the Instrumental Music teacher. Physical Education for our students was operated under the direction of Mr. Joseph Valardi and Ms. Nancy Bordeau. Our entire staff thanks all of our school Volunteers. We would like to extend a special thanks to Ms. Gail Osborne our volunteer Art Teacher, and Ms. Carol

Spinney volunteer Clinical Nursery Aide. We hope that our Volunteer Program will be expanding in future years.

The school year was filled with many activities including field trips, plays, after school sports, clubs, fund raising events, etc.. The Sixth Grade again participated in Project Cape Cod along with the sixth graders of the Hardwick Elementary School. These varied events provide our students with valuable hands on learning experiences not possible within the confines of the normal school program.

We thank the residents and students of Oakham for their continued support of the educational process at the Oakham Center School.

Duncan L. Stewart
and the Staff of
Oakham Center School

OAKHAM

ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1976

GRADES	BOYS	GIRLS
K	4	11
1	6	7
2	14	6
3	3	4
4	6	12
5	5	9
6	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
	44	55

OAKHAM EDUCATIONAL RECEIPTS

State Aid to Pupil Transportation	\$ 32297.00
School Aid (Chapter 70)	24949.00
State Aid to Member Towns of Regional Schools (Chapter 71)00
Aid to Occupational Programs (Chapter 74) . .	921.00
State Aid to Food Services	938.00
Federal Aid to Food Services	1966.00
State Aid to Special Needs Programs	9520.00
Title II (School Library)	215.00
State Aid to School Construction	<u>32686.00</u>
	\$103492.00

SCHOOLS AND EDUCATION

REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

QUABBIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

AND

UNION #63

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
OAKHAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND
UNION #63 JOINT COMMITTEE
1976

REGULAR OAKHAM SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS
ARE HELD AT THE OAKHAM CENTER SCHOOL ON THE
FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT
7:30 p.m.

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

OAKHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Carol Spinney, Chairman

Mr. John Barringer

Mr. Robert Buron

OVERVIEW OF 1975-76 SCHOOL YEAR

This tenth annual report as Superintendent of Union #63 and Quabbin Regional School District will be very brief, with the conviction that the leadership and services of the superintendent are in a great measure reflected in the reports of the individual systems. Set forth here will be the twenty-one major TARGETS determined to be areas of priority for the energy and activities of the superintendent during the 1975-76 School Year.

- 3--A/1 READING IMPROVEMENT IN ALL INSTRUCTION
- 0--A/2 HEALTH EDUCATION & SERVICES--COMMUNITY SURVEY
- 3--A/3 WRITTEN PHILOSOPHY/OBJECTIVES FOR ALL SYSTEMS
- 3--A/4 EQUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY REGULATIONS--
CHAPTER 622
Awareness and compliance in all schools
- 3--A/5 MAINSTREAMING FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION #766
- 4--A/6 BICENTENNIAL ACTIVITIES IN SCHOOLS
- 2--A/7 DEVELOPING SYSTEMATIC PROGRAM EVALUATION MBO/R
- 3--A/8 PROMOTE CAREER/OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION K-12
- 3--A/9 PROMOTE DRUG ABUSE EDUCATION & PREVENTION
- 3--B/1 PROMOTE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AUDITING SYSTEM FOR
GRADES K-3-6-8-11
- 4--B/2 FOLLOW THROUGH-STUDENT RECORDS REGULATIONS
- 4--B/3 FOLLOW THROUGH-FOUNTAIN VALLEY READING SYSTEM
- 3--C/1 IMPROVEMENT OF TEACHER PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS
MBO/R
- 5--C/2 APPLY "TARGET SETTING" AS ELEMENT OF EFFECTIVE
MANAGEMENT Management Level
- 2--C/3 PROMOTE INSERVICE ACTIVITY--READING & INDIVID-
UALIZED INSTRUCTION
- 5--C/4 AVOID CONFLICT AT SCHOOL MANAGEMENT LEVEL IN
NEGOTIATIONS ACTIVITY
- 2--D/1 PROMOTE GREATER SCHOOL/PARENT INTERACTIONS
- 5--D/2 CREATE A STRONG LINK WITH STATE REGIONAL ED.
CENTER
- 0--E/1 REFINE & EXPAND PROGRAM-BUDGETING FORMAT
- 0--E/2 MAKE UNION #63/QUABBIN COLLABORATIVE WORK
EFFECTIVELY
- 5--F/1 GAIN NEW FIVE YEAR CONTRACTS FOR TRANSPORTATION,
WITH MINIMUM COST INCREASES

Achievement Rating as evaluated by superintendent.
0=None--1=Very Little--2=Some--3=Adequate--4=Good
5=Excellent

The 1975-76 School Year found the School Committees and the Superintendent heavily involved with collective bargaining activities with professional staff, teacher aids, and custodial staff at the Quabbin Regional Level.

We have experienced low turn-over of staff in all systems, and have a very positive feeling about the continued dedication and quality performance of a very high majority of our employees. We are rightfully proud of the increasing reputation outside of our communities as a school system that provides quality instruction and service to children. "A good place to live, if you want your children going to a good school system".

Sincerely,

Corridon Trask Jr.
Superintendent of Schools

QUABBIN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1975-1976

The 1975-1976 school year encompassed an attempt on the part of the Quabbin staff to place heavy concentration on three major projects for the year in addition to the day to day operational chores associated with the Quabbin program. These three projects pertained to staff evaluation, student supervision and student scheduling.

Staff evaluation is a source of great difficulty for many school systems but through the cooperative efforts of teachers, department heads, and administrators a comprehensive evaluation model was developed at Quabbin. While evaluation is an important and necessary instrument used to support decisions relative to re-hiring, dismissal and increment increases, we nevertheless have chosen to place our focus upon providing the person under going evaluation with constructive and positive criticism, the purpose of which is to facilitate self-improvement.

Student supervision was improved during the year through implementation of the Quabbin Regional Merit/Demerit disciplinary program. This program was developed with input from students, staff and school committee and, after a year's trial, has apparently answered many of the procedural problems which most of today's modern high schools face in dealing with this difficult issue. The system places emphasis upon positive behavior through a system of privileges while at the same time stating a series of 21 school rules and specifying clearly the consequences of violation of these rules. The new system improved communications throughout the entire disciplinary process, particularly with parents, proved to be consistent and fair to all, and conscientiously included all of the legal due process measures that have been mandated by the courts in recent years.

Student scheduling, the third major area of effort, underwent many changes in regard to procedure and timing. Every student developed an individual schedule with a guidance counselor and was counseled again if original

requests had to be altered. The scheduling time-line was advanced with the final result that every Quabbin student received his or her schedule for the 1976-1977 school year prior to departing for summer vacation in June and was allowed four days to make any final alterations which might have been necessary. Through the changes that were made we were able to do a better job of academic counseling, gained greater accuracy in our schedules, and guaranteed a smoother school opening in September.

In addition to these three major projects the 1975-76 school year also saw many other significant accomplishments. Graduation requirements were changed and made more stringent, requiring the passing of competency exams in key areas as well as simply accumulating course credit.

The School Philosophy and Objectives were revised and the various departments continued to develop the Quabbin curriculum by writing outlines, revising course objectives, and coordinating all objectives on a school-wide basis.

As we look ahead to the 1976-77 school year we have set our sights upon several key targets which we hope to accomplish by the end of the year. It is our intention to review all of our school committee policies for possible updating and revision and to prepare new policies where needed. We are conscious of the need to move into the area of program evaluation, now that staff evaluation is well in hand, and to develop a model with which to assess the quality of our course offerings. Department Heads will continue to oversee the massive school-wide curriculum development project which will be a long-range 3-5 year project and which is closely related to the concept of program evaluation. Specific curriculum improvements will include the total revision of the Junior Health Program, the insertion of Project Adventure, an "Outward Bound" kind of experience, into the Physical Education Program, the implementation of Project Physics, exploration of the possible implementation of a consumer education program into our curriculum during 1977-1978 and a study of the desirability of utilizing some inter-departmental team teaching, perhaps between English-Social Studies or Math-Science, during the 1977-1978 school year.

The 1975-1976 school year saw 58% of our graduating class going on to post-high school education with an accumulation of over \$201,000 in scholarships and financial aid. We as a school are proud of this accomplishment and will continue to strive to increase these statistics. Another statistic that we are equally pleased with pertains to the fact that the Quabbin drop-out rate this year was only 1.4%; we shall continue to work to lower that figure.

Finally I would like to thank the entire Quabbin community for the support and cooperation which was given me during my first year as Quabbin Principal. These are difficult times both financially and otherwise for schools across the country, but I am convinced that with continued hard work and community support Quabbin can continue to be a school of which we can all be proud.

Leo Sullivan

Principal

QUABBIN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1976

GRADE	BARRE	HARDWICK	HUBBARDSTON	OAKHAM	TUITION
12	56	50	32	14	
11	63	40	28	13	
10	75	45	28	18	1
9	90	44	45	15	
8	65	36	52	10	
7	87	41	30	16	1
PG		1	1		
TOTALS	436	257	216	86	2
Boys:	222	131	112	44	2
Girls:	214	126	104	42	

1976 ANNUAL REPORT

OF

QUABBIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BARRE - HARDWICK - HUBBARDSTON - OAKHAM
ESTABLISHED 1963

QUABBIN REGIONAL JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
OPENED SEPTEMBER 1967

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Gerard Gariepy. Barre
Richard Allan. Barre
Samuel Pickens Barre
Richard Stevens Barre
Anthony Watson Barre

Darby Warburton Hardwick
Alan Lewis. Hardwick
Diane Purcell Hardwick

James Vaida Hubbardston
Gary Fleming Hubbardston

John Barringer Oakham

1976 COMMITTEE OFFICERS

Chairman. Alan Lewis, Hardwick
Vice-Chairman Anthony Watson, Barre
Secretary. Daisy Widing, Barre
Treasurer. Thomas J. Staiti, Barre
Legal Counsel Francis Cranston, Barre

Regular meetings of the Quabbin Regional School Committee are held on the third Thursday of each month. Meetings start at 7:30 p.m. and are held at the Henry Woods Building in Barre.

All meetings are open to the public.

QUABBIN REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL RECEIPTS

NJROTC	\$ 6,547.00
PL 91-527	6,780.00
Driver Education	5,920.00
State Aid to Pupil Trans.	231,943.00
State Aid to Regional Schools	
Chapter 492	302,803.00
PL 89-10	25,000.00
Building Grant	65,123.00
Tuition and Transportation of State Wards . .	662.00
TIVB	1,732.00
State Aid to Food Services	10,491.00
Federal Aid to Food Services	29,839.00
State Aid to Special Needs Programs	66,342.00
Title II (School Library)	3,335.00
Title III	6,525.00
Tuition Other Districts	4,385.00
Interest	12,105.00
Miscellaneous	<u>8,881.00</u>
	\$788,413.00

QUABBIN/UNION 63 COLLABORATIVE
EDUCATIONAL RECEIPTS

Title I	70,654.00
Title II	2,500.00
PL 93-380	<u>25,000.00</u>
	98,154.00

FINANCIAL REPORTS

DETERMINATION OF TAX RATE

TOWN ACCOUNTANTS BALANCE SHEET

REVENUE

EXPENDITURES

FINANCIAL REPORTS

DETERMINATION OF TAX RATE
FOR
FISCAL 1977

Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$329,320.00
Valuation	
Real Property Valuations	612,582.00
Personal Property Valuations	<u>171,515.00</u>
Total Property Valuations	784,097.00

Tax Rate $\$329,320.00 / 784,097.00 \times 1,000 =$
\$420.00 per \$1,000 of valuation.

TOWN OF OAKHAM

BALANCE SHEET - JUNE 30, 1976

ASSETS		LIABILITIES & RESERVES	
Cash:			
General	\$ 54,249.40	Agency:	
Elementary School Const.	26,997.38	County-Dog Licenses	\$ 249.60
Accounts Receivable:		Tailings -Unclaimed Checks	291.39
Taxes		Trust Funds Income:	
Levy of 1974	587.28	Mary Lincoln Alden	1,628.27
Real Estate		Cemetery Perpetu.Care	<u>277.00</u>
Levy of 1975			1,905.27
Real Estate	2,938.38	Gifts & Bequests:	
Levy of 1976		Police-Cruiser	49.12
Real Estate	30,555.97	Library	<u>35.00</u>
Personal Prop.	<u>1,530.30</u>	Federal Grants:	
Motor Vehicle Excise:		Spec. Educational	250.33
Levy of 1973	2,594.23	Spec. Needs-School	2,936.56
Levy of 1974	3,837.94	Title II	<u>53.73</u>
Levy of 1975	4,521.43	Revolving Funds:	
Levy of 1976	<u>14,780.80</u>	School Build. Comm.	515.91
			25,734.40

Revenue Reserved until		
Collected:		
Motor Vehicle Exc.	25,734.40	
Farm Excise	396.18	
Tax Title & Posses.	<u>813.52</u>	26,944.10
Inside Debt. Limit:		
Highway Loader		4,450.00
Elementary School Constr.		
Project #1886		26,997.38
Appropriation Control 1976		68,261.18
Surplus Revenue		<u>45,242.73</u>
		<u>\$1,237,252.65</u>
		<u>\$1,237,252.65</u>

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Local Taxes	\$240,109.58
State Aid	197,771.76
Licenses and Permits	1,397.00
Fines	35.00
School Lunch Fund	<u>5,186.00</u>
	444,499.34

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Dog License Refunds--County	150.76
Gifts from Individuals	358.50
Farm Animal & Motor Vehicle Excises	31,771.15
Charges Due Collector	<u>196.00</u>
	32,476.41

COMMERCIAL REVENUE: DEPARTMENTAL

General Government	2,705.81
Public Safety	497.80
Forestry	138.50
Health and Sanitation	199.10
Highways-Rentals	18,238.76
All Other	<u>10.00</u>
	21,789.99

COMMERCIAL REVENUE: CEMETERIES

Sale of Lots	260.00
Care of Lots	<u>32.00</u>
	292.00

COMMERCIAL REVENUE: INTEREST

General	1,318.05
On Trust and Investment Funds	<u>2,010.55</u>
	3,328.60

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Payroll Deductions	22,284.69
Dog Licenses for County	652.70
Group Insurance	<u>4,815.60</u>
	27,752.99

REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

Highway Department	492.00
Fire Department	710.95
School Department	<u>4,075.00</u>
	5,277.95

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES

Real Estate		
Fiscal 1976	\$159,663.52	
Previous Years	<u>21,844.68</u>	
	181,508.20	
Personal Property		
Fiscal 1976	58,601.38	
		\$240,109.58

STATE AID

Education	
Libraries	540.00
Chapter 5	2,603.28
Chapter 58	10,774.72
Chapter 70	24,949.00
Chapter 74	921.00
Public Transportation	21,344.09
Curriculum Service	<u>1,029.00</u>
	62,161.09
School Building Construction	32,685.50

Highways		
Local Aid	12,845.00	
Safety Program	1,295.00	
Chapter 497	8,268.98	
Chapter 825	<u>23,724.83</u>	
	46,133.81	
Corporation Taxes	7,359.69	
Library Aid	1,210.34	
MDC Lieu of Taxes	25,219.22	
Local Flood Tax	1,674.03	
State Parks & Forests (DNR)	495.00	
Veterans' Services	3,379.20	
Welfare - - Child Services	660.45	
Schools-Special Services	<u>2,936.56</u>	
Reg. School Aid - Library	3,448.92	
Reg. School Aid - Curr. Serv.	<u>920.51</u>	
	4,369.43	
Special Education	6,583.00	
School Lunch-Reim.	2,824.44	
Dept. of Agriculture	<u>80.00</u>	
	2,904.44	
Total from State		\$197,771.76

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Licenses		
Liquor	850.00	
Used Car Sales	<u>60.00</u>	
	910.00	
Permits		
Dairy	21.00	
Building	295.00	
Campground	15.00	
Firearms	119.00	
All Other	<u>37.00</u>	
	487.00	1,397.00

Fines		
Court	\$ 35.00	35.00
School Lunch Fund		
Sale of lunches	3,686.00	
Transfer from School Acct.	1,500.00	5,186.00
Total General Revenue		\$444,499.34

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

GRANTS AND GIFTS

Grant from County		
Dog License Refunds	150.76	
Gifts from Individual		
For Fire Protection	358.50	
Privileges		
Motor Vehicle Excises	30,715.57	
Farm Animal Excises	<u>1,055.58</u>	
	31,771.15	
Charges Due Collector	196.00	
Total Commercial Revenue		\$ 32,476.41

COMMERCIAL REVENUE: DEPARTMENTAL

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Treasurer		
Adjustments etc.	176.95	
Tax Collector		
Adjustments & Rebate	43.00	
All Other		
Veterans' Services	1,182.04	
Abatements		
Various Persons	608.82	
Library Trust Funds		
Harriet Gifford Fund	645.00	
All Other	<u>50.00</u>	
	2,705.81	

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department		
Cruiser Ambulance Gifts	109.00	
Fire Department		
Gift	358.80	
Other	<u>30.00</u>	
	497.80	(Over)
Inspection	10.00	
Forestry		
County of Worcester	48.50	
Asolundh Tree Service	<u>90.00</u>	
	138.50	

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	
Dump Permits	34.10
Disposal Permits	<u>165.00</u>
	199.10

HIGHWAYS

Highway Machinery Fund	
Rental of Town Owned Equipment	18,238.76
Total Commercial Rev.: Departmental	\$ 21,789.99

COMMERCIAL REVENUE: CEMETERIES

Sale of Lots and Graves		
Sale of Lots	260.00	260.00
Care of Lots and Graves		
Care of Lots	32.00	<u>32.00</u>
		292.00

COMMERCIAL REVENUE: INTEREST

General		
On Deferred Taxes	1,147.66	
Liens	42.00	
Motor Vehicle Excises	<u>128.39</u>	
	1,318.05	
On Trust an Investment Funds		
Alden Fund	792.68	
Cemetery Care of Lots Funds	<u>1,217.87</u>	
	2,010.55	\$ 3,322.60

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Agency		
Federal Withholding	14,397.60	
County Retirement	2,807.65	
State Withholding	<u>5,079.44</u>	
	22,284.69	
Dog Licenses for County	652.70	
Group Insurance		
Blue Shield-Blue Cross	<u>4,815.60</u>	27,752.99

REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

General Departments		
Highway Department	492.00	
Fire Department	710.95	
School Department	4,075.00	
		5,277.95

REVENUE SHARING

RECEIPTS

Unapprop. Bal. July 1, 1975		\$ 4,184.43	
Adjustment		<u>.14</u>	
Bal. Avail. July 1, 1976		\$ 4,184.57	
Grants Received in Fiscal '76			
September 16, 1975	\$ 1,519.00		
October 6, 1975	2,989.00		
February 17, 1976	3,051.70		
March 31, 1976	<u>2,989.00</u>	10,548.70	
Interest Received in Fiscal '76			
Sept. 16, 1975	60.40		
Feb. 17, 1976	84.10		
March 20, 1976	<u>121.28</u>	<u>265.78</u>	
Total Funds Avail, in Fiscal '76		\$ 14,999.05	
Funds Approp. in Fiscal '76			
For:			
Fire Department	3,000.00		
Police Department	3,000.00		
Assessors-Mapping Town	800.00		
Administration	<u>22.50</u>	<u>6,822.50</u>	
Unappropriated Balance June 30, 1976		\$ 8,176.55	

EXPENDITURES

Police Department	2,999.86
Fire Department	2,947.24
Administration	<u>22.50</u>
	\$ 5,969.60

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JUNE 30, 1976

Debt & Interest

Interest:

Worcester County Nat'l Bank \$	600.00	
Farmers Home Loan Admin.	<u>29,535.59</u>	\$ 30,135.59

Principal:

Worc. County Nat'l. Bank	2,000.00	
Farmers Home Loan Admin.	<u>33,163.70</u>	<u>35,163.70</u>

Total Debt & Interest		65,299.29
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FHA LOAN - 1974	\$ 622,000.00
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Bal. Due 1994--5% interest	556,836.30
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Temp. Loan Worc. County Nat'l	10,000.00
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Bal. Due 1980--6% interest	8,000.00
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Balance of School Construc. Acct.

Project #1886-Oct. 30, 1976--	10,166.39
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SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FOR
FISCAL 1976

ACCOUNT	RAISED & APPROPRIATED	EXPENDED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
Moderator	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00
Selectmen	1,500.00	1,170.72
Accounting	1,300.00	1,273.17
Treasurer	1,732.00	1,727.68
Tax Collector	1,925.00	1,896.92
Assessors	2,300.00	1,952.60
Planning Board	100.00	74.96
Legal	100.00	100.00
Town Clerk	1,160.00	1,110.73
Elections & Registrations	835.00	806.82
Town Hall Maintenance	2,750.00	3,034.27
Charges Due Collector	196.00
Totals-General Government	<u>13,742.00</u>	<u>13,383.87</u>

*Balance From Reserve Fund

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	7,000.00	8,439.78
Fire Department	5,000.00	8,467.97
Insect Pest Control	100.00	100.00
Tree Warden	350.00	348.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control	600.00	648.50
Building Inspector	0.00	93.30
Wire Inspector	100.00	100.00
Civil Defense (Revolving Fund)	0.00	463.04
Dog Officer	500.00	723.23
Workmens' Compensation	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>2,461.70</u>
	16,150.00	21,845.52

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health	250.00	39.10
Inspection of Animals	50.00	50.00
Home Health Care	600.00	354.00
Lake Dean Weed Control*	190.00	200.00
Town Dump	4,000.00	3,425.11
	<u>5,090.00</u>	<u>4,068.21</u>

*ARTICLE 2, Special Town Meeting May 30, 1975

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

Chapt. 90 Improvements	From State Aid	31,637.00
Chapt. 825	From State Aid	11,271.25
Chapt. 1140	From State Aid	19,405.00
Snow and Sand	20,000.00	23,439.79
Highway Department	4,350.00	4,158.82
Excused Time	3,150.00	2,376.00
Street Lights	1,500.00	1,481.90
Highway Truck**	19,659.00	19,659.00
Sand Spreader***	4,430.00	3,959.01
Machinery Rentals	From Mach. Rentals	14,311.72
	<u>53,089.00</u>	<u>131,700.03</u>

**Article 3 Spec. Town Meeting May 30, 1976

***Article 4 Spec. Town Meeting May 30, 1975

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND VETERANS' SERVICES

Veterans' Services	7,250.00	145.26
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SCHOOLS AND LIBRARY

SCHOOLS

Committee Salaries	150.00	150.00
School Union 63	10,412.00	11,901.00
Center School	131,580.00	126,660.24
School Lunch Program	None	9,572.92
Special Education	None	6,292.67
National Defense Education		
Quabbin Regional Assessment	130,686.00	107,390.00
Health Services	-----	-----
	<u>272,828.00</u>	<u>265,608.55</u>

LIBRARY

Trustees' Salaries	50.00	50.00
Cost of Operation	<u>4,950.00</u>	<u>7,191.25</u>
	5,000.00	7,241.25

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Care of Town Common	200.00	110.46
Parks and Recreation	150.00	262.99
Summer Recreation Program	800.00	720.00
Wright Park Maintenance	200.00	187.50
4-H Clubs	150.00	150.58
Memorial Day Observances	100.00	93.93
Care of Town Clock	50.00	1.50
Annual Reports	900.00	900.00
Stabilization Fund	5,000.00	5,000.00
Regional Planning Commission	94.90	94.90
County Retirement	3,938.07	3,938.07
Board of Appeals	100.00	43.80
Finance Committee	100.00	100.00
Group Insurance	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>8,711.92</u>
	9,782.97	20,315.65

CEMETERIES

Committee Salaries	50.00	50.00
General Care	<u>1,350.00</u>	<u>2,465.41</u>
	1,400.00	2,515.61

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

Interest		
Temporary Loans	3,000.00	3,089.35
School Loan	<u>29,680.00</u>	<u>29,680.00</u>
	32,680.00	32,769.39
Maturing Debt		
School Loan	<u>33,000.00</u>	<u>33,000.00</u>
	65,680.00	65,769.39

ITEMIZED ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES
FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1975
AND ENDING JUNE 30, 1976

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Legislative			
Moderator's Salary	\$	40.00	\$ 40.00
Selectmen			
Salaries and Wages			
Clerk		150.00	
Members		150.00	
Printing, Postage etc.		18.40	
Telephone		526.24	
All Other		326.08	1,170.72
Auditing Department			
Accountant's Salary		700.00	
Printing, Stationary & Postage		107.50	
All Other		465.67	1,273.17
Treasury Department			
Treasurer's Salary		700.00	
Clerk's Salary		100.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage		287.96	
Surety Bond			
Krussell Ins. Agency		140.00	
All other			
Various Persons		200.47	
New Equipment			
Check Disburser		299.25	1,727.68
Collector's Department			
Collector's Salary		700.00	
Clerk's Salary		150.00	
Charges Due Collector		196.00	
Printing, Postage & Stationery		456.47	
Surety Bond			
Robert A. Parker		194.00	
New Calculator			
Office Machines Inc.		230.00	
All Other		166.45	2,092.92

Assessor's Department			
Assessor's Salaries	\$	700.00	\$
Clerk's Salary		250.00	
Printing, Postage & Stationery		211.52	
Valuation Books			
Saltus Press		185.00	
Typewriter			
Liberty Typewriter		300.00	
All Other		306.08	1,952.60
Planning Board			
Dues		30.00	
Seminar		30.00	
All Other		14.96	74.96
Legal Department			
Town Counsel-Harry Vickers		100.00	100.00
Town Clerk's Department			
Town Clerk's Salary		700.00	
Printing, Postage & Stationery		125.11	
Surety Bond			
William J. Phelan		26.00	
All Other		259.62	1,110.73
Elections and Registrations			
Election Officer's Salaries		300.90	
Printing, Stationery & Postage			
Voters Lists		122.80	
Miscellaneous		88.62	
Census			
Town Clerk		126.45	
Various Persons-Payroll		150.00	
All Other		18.05	806.82
Town Hall Maintenance			
Custodians Wages		61.88	
Fuel			
Stone's Oil Service		2,306.19	
Light			
Mass. Electric Co.		238.77	
Insurance			
Krussell Ins.		36.00	
I. E. Irish Inc.		475.30	
Adjustment			
Krussell Ins. Agency		-196.95	314.35

Janitor's Supplies		
Miscellaneous	\$ 3.32	\$
Repairs		
Holden Heating	109.76	3,034.27
Total		\$13,383.87

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department		
Salaries & Wages		
Chief	\$ 2,484.00	\$
Officers	2,178.35	
Answering Service	1,120.00	
Dispatcher	100.00	
	<u>5,822.35</u>	
Equipment and Supplies		
Blankets, Vests, Masks, Etc.		
Mobile Fire Service	433.89	
Richard Sherburne	98.80	
	<u>532.69</u>	
Medical Supplies		
Montachusett Med. Service	45.34	
Medical Pharmacy	102.86	
	<u>148.20</u>	
Uniforms, Badges Etc.		
Mobile Fire Service	122.04	
Miscellaneous Supplies		
Mobile Fire Service	30.49	
Quabbin Regional (Typewriters)	40.00	
Norman LaMontagne	110.00	
	<u>180.49</u>	
Dues, Seminars Etc.		
Various Organizations	115.00	
Radio Maintenance		
Airway Communications	320.90	
George Kenney Assoc.	44.02	
	<u>364.92</u>	
Equipment Maintenance		
Snay's Auto	56.16	
Chuck Noonan's	32.32	
All Others	22.10	
	<u>110.58</u>	

Ammunition		
Never Fail Products	\$	42.40
The Fair		<u>4.45</u>
		46.85
Jail Service		
City of Worcester		60.00
Telephone		
N.E.T. & T. Co.		506.96
Insurance		
Krusell Ins. Agency		369.70
TOTAL		\$ 8,439.78

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries and Wages		
Chief		228.00
Firemen		1,533.48
Red Phone Operators		<u>263.00</u>
		2,024.48
Telephone		
N.E.T. & T. Co.		666.72
Fuel		
Stone's Oil Service		947.64
Light		
Mass. Electric		181.51
Equipment and Repairs		
Scott Air Packs		990.00
Hose		753.65/
		1,743.65
Chemicals Etc.		
Mobile Fire Service		153.81
Dow Chemical		519.75
Lamont Labs		<u>144.00</u>
		817.56
Gasoline		
Radio Oil Co.		129.06
Insurance		
Krusell Ins. Agency		1,298.05
Dues, Seminars etc.		114.00
Lumber		
Howe Lumber		189.70

Apparatus	186.09	
All Other	<u>169.51</u>	
TOTAL	\$ 8,467.97	
Insect Pest Control		
Salaries and Wages		
H. Roscoe Crawford	100.00	\$ 100.00
Tree Warden		
Various Persons at the		
following rates:		
Warden \$2.50 per hour		
Helpers \$2.50 per hour		
Chain saw rental \$1.50 per hour		
Total Charges	348.00	348.00
Dutch Elm Disease		
Same rates as above		
Total charges	648.50	648.50
Building Inspector		
Mileage		
622 miles @ \$0.15 per mile	93.30	93.30
Wire Inspector		
Salaries and Wages		
LeRoy Spinney	100.00	100.00
Civil Defense		
Underwater Rescue Course		
Inland Divers	378.54	
Equipment		
Inland Divers	84.50	463.04
Dog Officer		
Care and Boarding Dogs		
Holden Animal Shelter	186.00	
Kennel and dog houses		
Robert C. Heller	200.00	
Dog Officers wages & Expenses		
Dennis Casault	292.95	
All Other		
Various Persons	44.28	723.23
Workmen's Compensation	2,461.70	2,461.70

HEALTH AND SANITATION

General Administration			
Salaries and Wages	None		
Other Expenses			
Postage and Forms	\$ 39.10	\$ 39.10	
Animal Inspection			
Henry W. Stone, Jr.	50.00	50.00	
Wachusett Home Health Care Agency	354.00	354.00	
Weed Control			
Lycott Environmental Research	200.00	200.00	
Town Dump			
Hired Equipment			
Vandale Cons. Co.	144.00		
Joseph Comeau	256.00		
	<u>400.00</u>		
Town owned equipment			
and Highway Employees	1,397.45		
Maintenance of Equipment			
Kelly Square Tire Co.			
Two Tires	1,246.84		
Lumber			
Howe Lumber Co.	193.07		
Telephone			
N.E.T. & T. Co.	149.00		
Electricity			
Mass. Electric	23.00		
All Other	15.75	3,425.11	
TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION		\$ 4,068.21	

HIGHWAYS

Account	Labor	Town Equipment	Hired Equipment	Materials & Supplies	Totals
Chapter 90 Imp.	\$5,516.51	\$3,463.05	\$1,311.00	\$21,346.98	\$31,637.54
Chapter 825	6,186.25	2,043.00		3,042.00	11,271.25
Chapter 1140	2,803.25	1,416.10	1,200.00	13,985.65	19,405.00
Snow Removal & Sanding	11,192.90	5,707.86	350.00	6,189.03	23,439.79
TOTALS	<u>25,698.91</u>	<u>12,630.01</u>	<u>2,861.00</u>	<u>44,563.66</u>	<u>85,753.58</u>

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Telephone					
N.E.T. & T. Co.	283.73	Office Supplies			149.95
Electricity		Calculator Shop			6.18
Mass. Electric	262.25	Postage			<u>156.13</u>
Fuel					
Stone's Oil Service	244.43	Garage Supplies			90.65
Insurance		Johnson Canvas Co.			122.54
Krussell Ins. Agency	2,376.45	Fullwell Motor Products			260.86
All Other		Howe Lumber Co.			<u>474.05</u>
		Building Supplies			129.51
		Howe Lumber Co.			232.27
		All Other			
		TOTAL			\$4,158.82

HIGHWAY MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Gasoline		
Radio Oil Co.	\$ 3,878.30	
Fuel Oil		
Stone's Oil Service	766.15	
Anti Freeze		
Radio Oil Co.	51.00	
Tires		
Kelly Square Tire Co.	549.47	
Others	20.70	
	<u>570.17</u>	
Repairs and Parts		
Christie & Thompson	746.87	
Klem Tractors	112.60	
Hubbardston Equipment	295.71	
Tri-County Sales	385.90	
St. Pierre Mfg.	117.39	
All Other	636.60	
	<u>2,295.07</u>	
Payment on Highway Loader Loan		
Worc. Co. National Bank	5,500.00	
Interest on Highway Loader Loan		
Worc. Co. National Bank	550.00	
Motor Oil		
Texas Refinery	380.83	
Christie and Thompson	9.33	
	<u>390.16</u>	
All Other	310.87	
TOTAL		\$14,311.72

SICK LEAVE, VACATION AND HOLIDAYS

Various Persons	2,376.00	\$ 2,376.00
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PURCHASE OF 1976 MACK TRUCK

Worcester Mack Sales and Service		\$19,659.00
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STREET LIGHTS

Mass. Electric Co.	\$ 1,481.90
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TARCO HYDRAULIC SAND SPREADER

Tri-County Contractors Supply	3,959.01
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TOTAL	\$131,700.03
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PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND VETERANS SERVICES

Veterans Services

Dues	55.00	
Agents Expenses and Travel	75.31	
Postage	14.95	145.26

SCHOOLS

Appropriation Accounts

Committee Salaries	150.00	150.00
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Administration

Oakham's Share of Cost of Operation of School Union 63	11,901.00	11,901.00
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Center School

Instruction	69,028.79
Expenses	9,198.29
	<u>78,227.08</u>

Health Services

Salaries	1,265.00
Expenses	388.91
	<u>1,653.91</u>

Maintenance and Operation
of Plant

Salaries	7,920.00
Expenses	11,611.32
Insurance	1,045.10
	<u>20,576.42</u>

Acquisition of Fixed Assets
Equipment

1,790.43

Programs with other Schools

Vocational Tuition	3,258.00
Vocational Transportation	1,196.60
	<u>4,454.60</u>

Pupil Transportation	19,757.80	
All Other	200.00	\$126,660.24
Regional School Assessment		107,390.00
Special Education		6,292.67
School Lunch		9,572.92
National Defense Education		
Title II	3,431.38	
Title III	210.34	3,641.72
		<u>265,608.55</u>

LIBRARY

Trustees Salaries	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Salaries and Wages		
Librarian	2,507.00	
Assistants	290.00	
Custodians	300.00	
	<u>3,097.00</u>	
Books and Periodicals		
Books	1,462.68	
Periodicals	83.10	
	<u>1,545.78</u>	
Telephone, Fuel & Light		
Telephone (N.E.T. & T. Co.)	159.91	
Fuel, Heat and Light		
Stone's Oil Service	988.34	
Electricity		
Mass. Electric	164.82	
Maintenance of Buildings		
National Glass	279.92	
Warren Roofers	645.00	
	<u>924.92</u>	
All Other	310.48	
TOTAL		\$ 7,241.25

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Care of Town Common

Cutting Grass			
Calvin Stewart	\$	103.90	\$
All Other		6.56	110.46

PARKS AND RECREATION

Arts and Crafts Supplies			
Michael Staiti		134.56	
Food			
Trifty Market		40.56	
Insurance			
Krusell Ins. Agency		2.00	
Lumber			
Howe Lumber Co.		85.87	262.99

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

Swimming Program			
Various Personal	\$	720.00	\$ 720.00

WRIGHT PARK MAINTENANCE

Cutting Grass			
Gordon Cole Jr.		155.00	
Calvin Stewart		32.50	187.50

4-H CLUBS

Misc. Supplies			
Various Persons		48.00	
Repair Sewing Machines		23.90	
All Other		78.68	150.58

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES

Miscellaneous Supplies			
Various Persons		93.93	93.93

CARE OF TOWN CLOCK

Insurance Adjustment			
Krussell Ins. Agency	\$	1.50	\$ 1.50

ANNUAL REPORTS

Printing and Delivering			
Hillside Printing		900.00	\$ 900.00

STABILIZATION FUND

Deposited in Worcester			
Federal Savings Bank		5,000.00	5,000.00
Central Mass. Regional			
Planning Commission			
Assessment		94.90	94.90

WORCESTER COUNTY RETIREMENT ASSESSMENT

Worcester County Treasurer		3,938.07	3,938.07
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BOARD OF APPEALS

Dues		15.00	
Legal Notices and Postage		28.80	43.80

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Dues		40.00	
Budget Reports		60.00	100.00

TOTALS			\$11,603.73
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ASSESSMENTS

State Parks and Recreation Areas			
Comm. of Mass.		3,296.85	3,296.85

Auditing Municipal Accounts			
Comm. of Mass.		114.33	114.33

Air Pollution			
Comm. of Mass.		63.17	63.17

Motor Vehicle		
Excise Tax	\$ 98.25	\$ 98.25
Worcester County Tax		
County Treasurer	17,180.76	17,180.76
Worcester County Hospital		
Worcester County Treasurer	853.19	853.19
Recapitulation Sheet Assessment	1,063.13	1,063.13
Reserve Fund		30.00
Abatements	623.20	<u>623.20</u>
Total Recreation and Unclassified		\$34,926.21

CEMETERIES

Salaries		
Committee Salaries	\$ 50.00	
Clerk	<u>15.00</u>	
	65.00	
Wages		
Various Persons	1,900.75	
Loam & Fertilizer		
Jamara Bros.	45.00	
Agway Inc.	<u>12.50</u>	
	57.50	
Equipment		
Repairs		
A. Parker & Sons	186.15	
Streeter Scott	36.33	
All Others	<u>56.66</u>	
	279.14	
Gasoline		
Various Persons	38.70	
All Other	174.52	174.52
TOTAL CEMETERIES		\$ 2,515.61

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

INTEREST

Anticipation of Reimbursement		
Loan - Chapter 90 - WCNB	\$ 391.67	\$
Anticipation of Revenue		
11-3-75 WCNB	899.05	
2-6-76 WCNB	1,388.26	
5-10-76 WCNB	410.37	
	<u>2,697.68</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 3,089.35

MATURING DEBT

Anticipation of Reimbursement		
Chapter 90		
Worcester Co. Nat. Bank	7,000.00	
Anticipation of Revenue		
11-3-75 WCNB	60,000.00	
2-6-76 WCNB	100,000.00	
5-10-76 WCNB	70,000.00	
	<u>230,000.00</u>	
TOTAL		\$237,000.00

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Payroll Deductions		
Federal Withholding	14,397.60	
County Retirement	2,807.65	
State Withholding	5,081.28	
	<u>22,286.53</u>	22,286.53
Dog Licenses		
Worc. Co. Treas.	520.10	520.10
Group Insurance		
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	8,711.92	8,711.92
Sale of Cemetery Lots		
Barre Savings Bank		
Deposit	260.00	260.00

Alden Fund			
Belcher's Flowers	\$	341.56	
Trifty Super Market		30.00	\$ 371.56
TOTAL AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT			32,150.11

REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

Refunds		
Taxes	\$	1,280.72
Motor Vehicle Excises		636.97
		<u>1,917.69</u>
Transfers		
Elementary School Account		29,680.00
Loan - WCNB		33,000.00
		<u>62,680.00</u>
TOTAL REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS		

TOWN WARRANT

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To either of the Constables of the Town of Oakham in the County of Worcester.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Selectmen of the Town of Oakham, County of Worcester, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Oakham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in Memorial Hall, also known as the Town Hall, Coldbrook, RD on Monday the Fourth Day of April next at 12 noon at which time the polls will be opened for the purpose of the election of Town Officers and for voting on such matters as may be voted for on the official ballot: the polls shall remain open until 8 P.M. at which time the meeting shall be adjourned until 8 P.M. on the Second Monday of April, the eleventh, at which time the Annual Business Meeting will be called to order in the Oakham Center School, Deacon Allen Drive, off Coldbrook Road and/or Barre Road, then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1.

To hear the reports of the several town officers and to act thereon.

ARTICLE 2.

To choose one Selectmen, one Treasurer, one Assessor, one Board of Health Member, One School Committee Member, One Library Trustee, one Cemetery Committee Member and six constables, all for three year terms; one Planning Board Member for a five year term and a Tax Collector for a one year term.

ARTICLE 3.

To choose all necessary town officers and committees for the ensuing year not required to be elected by ballot.

ARTICLE 4.

To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as

provided for by Section 108, Chapter 41, of the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE 5.

To see what compensation the Town will allow for men and equipment used in repairing highways and opening roads during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977.

ARTICLE 6.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury such sums of money as are necessary to pay salaries, expenses and outlays of the several Town departments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977.

ARTICLE 7.

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow in anticipation of the revenue for the twelve month period beginning July 1, 1977, in accordance with the General Laws Chapter 44, Section 4, and acts in amendment thereof, and including in addition thereto, Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended, and to renew any note, or notes, as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

ARTICLE 8.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from the Overlay Surplus a sum of money for the purposes of a Reserve Fund, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9.

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury for use to help reduce the tax levy for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1977, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10.

To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Highway Machinery Fund to the Highway Machinery Account, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11.

To see if the Town will vote to accept any trust funds which may be left to the Town for the care of Cemeteries or for any other purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund of the Town, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13.

To hear the report of the School Building Committee and to act thereon.

ARTICLE 14.

To hear the report of the committee, established at the 1976 Annual Town Meeting to investigate the need, location and cost of a new Highway Department Building, and to act thereon.

ARTICLE 15.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$12,000. for use to help meet the cost of resurfacing certain Town Roads, or take any action relative thereto.

\$8000.00

ARTICLE 16.

To see if the Town will vote to accept any funds which may be allotted to the Town by the Commonwealth and/or the County for use in conjunction with funds provided by the Town for improvement of Town roads during the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 1977, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17.

CHAPTER To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 8G of Section 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, giving the Town authority to enter into agreement with another city or town, or other cities and towns, to provide mutual aid programs for police departments to increase the capability of such departments to protect the lives, safety and property of the people in the area designated in the agreement, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18.

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter IX, Section 3 of the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Oakham by striking out the provisions contained therein and inserting in place thereof the following provisions: "Adult Mobile Home and Trailer Parks are a permitted use in the rural residential-agricultural District as an exception to the Zoning By-Laws by Special Permit only. The Board of Appeals may grant said Special Permit in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40 A and the Oakham By-Laws, subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, and likewise subject to the regulations pertaining to Mobile Home Parks set forth in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 32, upon application duly made to said Board, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the map entitled Official Road Map of the Town of Oakham, Massachusetts, Scale One Inch equals 2000 feet, March 10, 1977, R. H. Lonergan, RLS 9329, as the Official Road Map of the Town Of Oakham and to establish that the roads shown on this map are the only public roads in the Town of Oakham, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20.

To see if the Town will vote under the provisions of Chapter 48, Section 38 of the General Laws, to compensate enginemen and/or members of the Fire Department who have served for one year preceeding May First in any year, such amounts as the Town may determine, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21.

To see if the Town will vote to determine what compensation the Town will pay for enginemen and/or firemen used for the purpose of fire protection, or take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22.

To see if the Town will vote to add to its By-Laws by adding the following Chapter and Section, or take any action relative thereto:

CHAPTER XI. RATE OF DEVELOPMENT:

Section I. Areas of land subject to the jurisdiction of

the Planning Board under the subdivision control law shall not be developed by the construction of dwelling units at a greater rate than permitted by the following:

Subdivisions containing sufficient area to provide more than eight building lots at the maximum intensity permitted under the zoning by-law shall not be developed by the construction of dwelling units at a greater rate than eight lots per year or twenty percent per year of the total lots shown on an approved definitive subdivision plan or a plan bearing an endorsement that no subdivision approval is required.

ARTICLE 23.

To see if the Town will vote to add to its By-Laws by adding the following Chapter and Section, or take any action relative thereto:

CHAPTER XII. UNREGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLES:

Section I. Not more than one unregistered motor vehicle shall be placed upon any land in the Town of Oakham unless the same be within a building or within an area not exposed to public view.

Any person violating the provisions of this by-law shall be subject to a fine of fifty dollars for each offense. Each day that a willful violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

ARTICLE 24.

To see if the Town will vote to add the following Chapter and Section to its By-Laws, or take any action relative thereto:

CHAPTER XIII. BOARD OF APPEALS.

Section I. There is hereby established a Board of Appeals of three members to be appointed by the Selectmen for a term of three years except that the original members shall be appointed for terms of one year, two years and three years respectively as provided in Chapter 40A of the General Laws. The Board of Appeals shall also include two associate members who shall be appointed by the Selectmen in the same manner except that the original appointments shall be for terms of two years and one year respectively. The Chairman of the Board of Appeals may designate any such associate member to sit on the Board in case of the absence, inability to act or interest on the part of a member thereof, or in the event of a vacancy on said board may designate any such associate

member to sit as a member of the board until such vacancy is filled.

This Board of Appeals shall also act as the Board of Appeals under any local building or zoning ordinance or by-law including in particular those authorized under Chapters IV, V, IX, Subdivision Control, & the Zoning By-Law adopted April 9, 1973.

The members of this Board may also act as the State Building Code Board of Appeals, if so qualified.

Roger H. Lonergan
Hazel M. Young
John C. March

INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR THE
1977 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
AND THE
BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1978

Meeting for the election of Town Officers and for voting on such matters as may be voted for on the official ballot will be held in the Town Hall on Monday the fourth day of April, 1977, starting at 12 noon and adjourning at 8 P.M.

The Annual Business Meeting will be held on Monday the eleventh day of April, 1977, in the Oakham Center School located on Deacon Allen Drive and will start at 8 P.M..

An information and Budget Meeting will be held in Center School on Thursday, April 7, 1977, starting at 8 P.M..

The Finance Committee, Selectmen and other Town Officials have tried to prepare a budget which the taxpayers will be able to meet and which at the same time will give the various town departments sufficient funds to carry out their duties in a satisfactory manner. This, of course, is very difficult but with the continued support from all parties we feel that we will have a successful year.

We are listing below a few suggestions that we think will help keep expenses and the tax rate under control.

- (1) Continue the fine spirit of cooperation that has existed between the people of Oakham and their elected and appointed officials and employees.
- (2) Do not request or expect unnecessary or expensive services or facilities.
- (3) Limit budgets to amounts necessary to perform the duties of your office or position in a satisfactory manner.
- (4) Operate within your budgets.

- (5) Do not feel that it is necessary or wise to use up all of your appropriation each year. Funds returned to the treasury help to increase the amount of surplus revenue and to control the tax rate.

We wish to thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve you.

Finance Committee and Board of Selectmen

BUDGET SUMMARY

ARTICLE SIX

CLASSIFICATION	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978	DIFFERENCE
General Govern't	\$ 20,580.00	\$ 18,765.00	\$ -1,815.00
Public Safety	22,550.00	22,950.00	+ 400.00
Health & Sanita.	3,600.00	3,500.00	-- 100.00
Streets & Highw.	27,150.00	46,100.00	+18,950.00
Public Assist.	7,500.00	7,500.00	Same
Schools & Library	291,780.00	323,557.00	+31,777.00
Recrea. & Unclass.	14,101.00	13,386.97	- 714.03
Cemeteries	1,400.00	1,400.00	Same
Int. & Mat. Debt	<u>62,800.00</u>	<u>65,636.51</u>	<u>+2,836.51</u>
Total Article 6	\$ 451,461.00	\$ 502,795.48	\$+51,334.48
Spec. Articles	<u>65,766.21</u>	<u>8,000.00*</u>	<u>-57,766.21</u>
Net Totals	\$ 517,227.21	\$ 510,795.48	\$- 6,431.73

Note: This figure is based on the assumption that no funds are raised to be added to the Stabilization Fund.

The information and recommendations on this and the following pages are based on the information available at the time the report was prepared. Some of the recommendations may be changed at the time of the Annual Town Meeting if conditions so warrant.

These figures indicate that the amount of money to be raised by taxation will be about the same as last year., however, indications are that the

amount of State, Federal and County grants and allotments will be somewhat less than the previous year.

It is expected that the amount of these grants and allotments will be available at the time of the Annual Meeting.

BUDGET AND ARTICLES FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ARTICLE 1.

To hear the reports of the several town officers and to act thereon.

ARTICLE 2.

Election of officers by ballot.

ARTICLE 3.

Election of officers not required to be elected by ballot.

ARTICLE 4.

To fix the salaries of all elective officers.

OFFICE	SALARY FISCAL '77	RECOMMENDED FISCAL '78
Moderator	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00
Selectmen	680.00	700.00
Treasurer	700.00	800.00
Tax Collector	700.00	800.00
Assessors	700.00	800.00
Town Clerk	700.00	800.00
School Committee	150.00	0.00
Library Trustees	50.00	50.00
Cemetery Committee	50.00	50.00

ARTICLE 5.

To see what compensation the Town will pay for men and equipment used on the highways.

Recommended that this matter be left in the hands of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 6.

To pay expenses and outlays of the various departments:

ITEM	DEPARTMENT	EXPENDED FISCAL 1976	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
1	Moderator	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 50.00
2	Selectmen Sal.	150.00	680.00	700.00
	Clerk Sal.	150.00	150.00	150.00
	Expenses	<u>870.72</u>	<u>700.00</u>	<u>700.00</u>
		\$ 1,170.72	\$ 1,530.00	\$ 1,550.00
3	Accounting			
	Salary	700.00	700.00	800.00
	Expenses	<u>573.17</u>	<u>600.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>
		\$ 1,273.17	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 1,200.00
4	Treasury			
	Salary	700.00	700.00	800.00
	Clerk	100.00	100.00	100.00
	Expenses	488.43	1,040.00	1,275.00
	Bond			200.00
	New Equipment	<u></u>	<u>800.00</u>	<u></u>
		\$ 1,727.68	\$ 2,640.00	\$ 2,375.00
5	Tax Collector			
	Salary	700.00	700.00	800.00
	Clerk	150.00	125.00	200.00
	Expenses	818.92	845.00	800.00
	Bond	194.00	280.00	-----
	New Equipment	<u>230.00</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>
		\$ 2,092.92	\$ 1,950.00	\$ 1,800.00
6	Assessors			1,950.00
	Salaries	700.00	700.00	800.00
	Clerk	250.00	250.00	200.00
	Valuation Books	185.00		-----
	New Equipment	300.00	350.00	-----
	Expenses	<u>517.60</u>	<u>950.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>
		\$ 1,952.60	\$ 2,250.00	\$ 1,800.00
7	Planning Board	74.96	100.00	250.00
8	Legal Expenses	100.00	100.00	100.00

ITEM DEPARTMENT	EXPENDED FISCAL 1976	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978
9 Elections & Registrations			
Wages & Sal.	\$ 300.90	\$ 680.00	\$ 550.00
Expenses	229.47	150.00	140.00
Census	276.45	-----	-----
	<u>806.82</u>	<u>830.00</u>	<u>690.00</u>
10 Town Clerk			
Salaries	700.00	700.00	800.00
Surety Bond	26.00		50.00
Expenses	384.73	560.00	500.00
Seminar	-----	<u>200.00</u>	<u>-----</u>
	\$ 1,110.73	\$ 1,460.00	\$ 1,350.00
11 Town Hall Maint.			
Wages & Sal	61.88	500.00	500.00
Fuel	2,306.19	1,500.00	1,500.00
Light	238.77	500.00	500.00
Repairs	109.76	5,000.00	5,000.00
Insurance	314.35	0.00	-----
Other	<u>3.32</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>
	\$ 3,034.27	\$ 7,550.00	\$ 7,600.00
Total General Government	\$ 13,383.87	\$ 20,580.00	\$ 18,765.00

190.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

15 Police Depart.			
Wages & Sal.			
Chief & Offic.	\$ 4,662.35	\$ -----	\$ -----
Dispatchers etc.	1,220.00	-----	-----
Expenses	<u>2,557.43</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>-----</u>
	\$ 8,439.78	\$ 13,300.00	11,500.00
16 Fire Department			
Chief & Firemen	1,761.48		-----
Dispatchers	263.00		-----
Expenses	<u>6,443.49</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>-----</u>
	\$ 8,467.97	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 6,000.00

ITEM DEPARTMENT	EXPENDED FISCAL 1976	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978
17 Inspec. of wires	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
18 Insect Pest Cont.	100.00	100.00	100.00
19 Dutch Elm Disease Control	648.50	600.00	600.00
20 Tree Warden	348.00	350.00	350.00
21 Dog Officer			
Sal. & Wages	292.95	-----	300.00
Care & Boarding			
Dogs	186.00	-----	150.00
Purchase of Kennel	200.00	-----	-----
Expenses	44.28	-----	-----
	<u>\$ 723.23</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
22 Civil Defense			
Supplies & Equip.	463.04	100.00	100.00
23 Compensa. Insur.	2,461.70	2,500.00	3,000.00
24 Build. Inspect.	<u>93.30</u>	<u>-----</u>	<u>-----</u>
	\$21,845.52	\$22,550.00	\$22,950.00

HEALTH AND SANITATION

30 Board of Health			
Administration	\$ None	\$	\$
Expenses	39.10	250.00	250.00
31 Town Dump	3,425.11	2,450.00	2,450.00
32 Inspec. of Animals	50.00	100.00	100.00
33 Home Health Care	354.00	600.00	600.00
34 Aquatic Weed Contr.	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>
	\$ 4,068.21	\$ 3,600.00	\$ 3,500.00

ITEM DEPARTMENT	EXPENDED FISCAL 1976	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978
STREETS AND HIGHWAYS			
38 Snow Removal & Sanding	\$23,439.79	\$20,000.00	\$23,500.00
39 Street Lights	1,481.90	1,500.00	1,500.00
40 Vacation, Sick Leave & Overtime	2,376.00	3,150.00	3,350.00
41 Highway Depart.	<u>4,158.82</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>17,750.00</u>
	\$31,456.51	\$27,150.00	\$46,100.00

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND VETERANS' SERVICES

46 Veterans' Services Expenses	145.26	7,500.00	7,500.00
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OAKHAM
BUDGET

		Expended FY76	Budgeted FY77	Proposed FY78
1100-2	Committee Secretary	145.00	138.00	138.00
-3	Committee Treasurer			
-4	Contracted Services	60.00	25.00	25.00
-5	Committee Supplies	18.90	35.00	20.00
-6	Committee-Memb., Publ. Conf., Tr., Prt., Post., etc.		10.00	13.00
1100	TOTAL COMMITTEE	223.90	208.00	196.00
1200-1	Supt. & Asst. Supt. Salaries	1000.00	1500.00	1500.00
-2	Central Sec. - Cler. Acct.			
-4	Central Office - Rent & Telephone			
-5	Central Office - Supplies			
-6	Supt. - Memb., Publ., Conf., etc.			
1200	TOTAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFF.	1000.00	1500.00	1500.00
2100-1	Curriculum - In - Serv. Prof. Sal.			
-2	Secretarial - Aides Salaries	200.00	300.00	
-3	Consultants Services			
-5	Curriculum Dev. - In - Serv. - Supp.			
-6	Publ., Conf., Tr., Prt., Postage			
2100	TOTAL CURRICULUM - IN - SERV.	200.00	300.00	
2200-1	Prin. & Asst. Principal	5303.48	6660.00	7300.00
-2	School Office Sec. - Cler. Sal.	2440.80	2562.00	2730.00
-4	Contracted Services		25.00	
-5	Office Supplies	427.90	100.00	400.00
-6	Memb., Publ., Conf., Tr., Prt., Postage, Petty Cash		20.00	26.00
2200	TOTAL PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	8172.18	9367.00	10456.00
2300-1	Professional Teaching Salaries	50232.82	58277.00	58000.00
-2	Instructional Aides Salaries	3917.17	4158.00	13746.00
-4	Spec. Inst.	2186.89	2360.00	2700.00
2300	TOTAL TEACHING	56401.88	64795.00	74446.00
2400	TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL MAT.	235.30	330.00	480.00
2500-1	IMC Coordinator Salary			
-2	IMC Instructional-Tech. Aides			
-5	IMC Supplies & Instr. Mat.	1514.64	1140.00	630.00
-6	IMC Memb., Publ., Conf., Tr., Prt.			
2500/2600	TOTAL IMC	1514.64	1140.00	630.00

		Expended FY76	Budgeted FY77	Proposed FY78
2700-1	Psychologist Salary			
-2	Guidance Sec.-Aides Salaries			
-4	Contracted-Diagn. & Prescr.			300.00
-5	Guidance Supplies		150.00	150.00
-6	Guidance - Memb.; Publ./ Conf. etc.			
2700	TOTAL GUIDANCE		150.00	450.00
3100-2	Attendance Officer Salary			
-5	Attendance Officer Supplies			
-6	Attendance Officer Travel			
3100	TOTAL ATTENDANCE			
3200-1	Nurse & Phys. Salaries	1540.00	1585.00	1540.00
-2	Technical Aides Salaries			
-4	Contracted Diagn. Services			
-5	Health Supplies	113.91	75.00	75.00
-6	Health-Memb.; Publ.; Conf.; Tr.; etc.		50.00	
3200	TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	1653.91	1710.00	1615.00
3300-41	Regular Transportation	16351.00	17000.00	17000.00
	Kindergarten	2854.80	3000.00	
-43	Field Trips	552.00	500.00	200.00
-44	Athletic Trips		80.00	80.00
-45	Activity Trips			3000.00
3300	TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	19757.80	20580.00	20280.00
3400-3	Lunchroom Super. Salary	1500.00	2000.00	2000.00
-5	Lunch Program Subsidy			
3400	TOTAL LUNCH PROGRAM	1500.00	2000.00	2000.00
3510-1	Athletic Coaching Salaries			
-5	Athletic Supplies - Materials			
-6	Athletic-Memb.; Publ.; Conf.; Travel; Printing; etc.			
3520-1	Activities-Advisors Salaries			
-4	Contracted Assembles, etc.	200.00	200.00	200.00
-5	Activities Supplies - Materials			
-6	Activities - Memb.; Publi.; Conf.; Travel; Printing; Postage			
3500	TOTAL ATHLETIC-ACTIVITIES	200.00	200.00	200.00

		Expended FY76	Budgeted FY77	Proposed FY78
4110-31	Head of Maint. Salary			
-32	Custodial Salaries	8333.50	13650.00	11700.00
-4	Contracted - Htg.; Lights; H2O; Gas; Telephone	9065.62	15300.00	11700.00
-5	Custodial Supplies	1097.88	500.00	1000.00
-6	Custodial - Publ.; Conf.; Tr.			
4210-4	Contracted - Snow Rem.; Tr.; Heat			
-5	Ground Maintenance	646.03	500.00	500.00
-5	Building Maintenance	1069.74	500.00	1100.00
4230-4	Equipment Maintenance	323.95	250.00	250.00
	Rubbish Removal			300.00
4000	TOTAL OPER. - MAINTENANCE	20536.72	30700.00	26550.00
5000	TOTAL FIXED CHARGES	1045.10		1045.00
6000	TOTAL COMMUNITY SERV.			
7100	Land Site Improvement			
7200	Building Acquisition			
7300	New Equipment Purchases	1790.43		
7400	Equipment Replacements			
7000	TOTAL ACQUIS. - REPLACE	1790.43		
8100	Debt-Retirement			
8200	Debt-Service (Interest)			
8500	Other Debt Services			
8000	TOTAL DEBT RETIRE. & SERV.			
9100-1	Vocational School Tuition	3228.00	5900.00	6000.00
-2	Vocational School Trans.	1196.60	1600.00	4206.00
-3	Adult Evening School Tuition	30.00	500.00	
-4	Other Special School Tuition			
-5	Other Special School Trans. &			300.00
9000	TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL PROGRAMS	4454.60	8000.00	10500.00
	TOTAL REGULAR BUDGET			150,348.00

	Expended FY76	Budgeted FY77	Proposed FY78
-1 Sp. Ed. Professional Salaries	5909.58	8057.00	8220.00
-2 Sp. Ed. Aides Salaries	822.84	6788.00	1850.00
Nurse & Physician			
Perceptually Handicapped Salaries			4700.00
-4 Contracted Services	565.00	1000.00	1000.00
-5 Sp. Ed. Supplies & Materials	107.96	500.00	
-6 Other (travel)		250.00	
Telephone			
Gardner Mental Health			200.00
Building Improvement (acquisition)			
Equipment			
-91 Sp. Ed. Tuition (other schools)	568.40	8000.00	10000.00
-92 Sp. Ed. Transportation (other schools)			3000.00
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	7973.78	24595.00	28970.00
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TOTAL BUDGET	126660.24	165575.00	179318.00
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OAKHAM - Share of Collaborative	10885.56		
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OAKHAM - SHARE OF UNION #63		14095.00	15202.00
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UNION #63 REVISED SUMMARY OF FY78 BUDGET BY MAJOR PROGRAMS

	FY76 SPENT	FY77 BUDGETED	12/22/76 FY78 PROPOSED	1/6/77 FY78 EMERGENCY
#63 COMMITTEE	\$ 96	\$ 758	\$ 694	\$ 694
CENTRAL OFFICE	38,805	41,673	48,645	44,696
SHARED SP. ED. #766	65,650	90,954	93,229	90,957
SHARED READ G/TITLE I	Quabbin	10,780	9,676	8,529
K-6 SHARED PH. ED.	16,431	16,609	18,173	18,128
SHARED MUSIC	1,250	2,669	2,119	2,069
SHARED - INSERVICE/CURR.	921	2,777	2,479	1,618
TOTALS		166,219	175,015	166,691
INCREASE OVER FY77			8,796 5.29%	472 0.28%
BARRE SHARE		73,533(44.24%)	(43.55%)72,594 -939	
HARDWICK SHARE		41,972(25.25%)	(24.40%)40,673 -1,299	
HUBBARDSTON SHARE		36,619(22.03%)	(22.93%)38,222 +1,603	
OAKHAM SHARE		14,095(8.48%)	(9.12%) 15,202 +1,107	

QUABBIN		Expended	Budgeted	EMERGENCY
Budget		FY76	FY77	Proposed
				FY78
1100-2	Committee Secretary	402.50	554.00	700.00
-3	Committee Treasurer	2000.00	2300.00	2500.00
-4	Contracted Services	17 15.73	3305.00	1300.00
-5	Committee Supplies	151.26	200.00	200.00
-6	Committee-Memb., Publ., Conf., Tr., Prt., Post., etc.	726.94	824.00	300.00
1100	TOTAL COMMITTEE	4996.43	7 183.00	5000.00
1200-1	Supt. & Asst. Supt. Salaries	9400.00	11900.00	13 148.00
-2	Central Sec.-Cler. Acct.	16000.00	16354.00	176 15.00
-4	Central Office-Rent & Telephone	46 18.00	2975.00	4308.00
-5	Central Office-Supplies	1700.00	1903.00	19 12.00
-6	Supt.-Memb., Publ., Conf., etc.	4 100.00	2202.00	2034.00
1200	TOTAL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFF.	358 18.00	35334.00	390 17.00
2 100-1	Curriculum-In-Serv. Prof. Sal.	3359.00	2928.00	2252.00
-2	Secretarial-Aides Salaries	25.00	824.00	682.00
-3	Consultants Services	360.00	2004.00	
-5	Curriculum Dev.-In-Serv.-Supp.		24.00	100.00
-6	Publ., Conf., Tr., Prt., Postage	33 1.05	843.00	48.00
2 100	TOTAL CURRICULUM-IN-SERV.	4075.05	6623.00	3082.00
2200-1	Prin. & Asst. Principal	56400.00	64500.00	69 169.00
-2	School Office Sec. - Cler. Sal.	17070.97	19402.00	20807.00
-4	Contracted Services	4767.55	4750.00	5250.00
-5	Office Supplies	2676.34	2500.00	3000.00
-6	Memb., Publ., Conf., Tr., Prt., Postage, Petty Cash	5073.79	5675.00	4425.00
2200	TOTAL PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE	85988.65	96827.00	102651.00
2300-1	Professional Teaching Salaries	740 163.51	770595.00	8 19969.00
-2	Instructional Aides Salaries	14975.00	29298.00	3 1025.00
-4	Contracted Learning Programs			239.00
-5	Teaching Supplies	276 15.25	3 1524.00	27 167.00
-6	Teacher-Memb., Publ., Conf., Travel, Printing	29 17. 12	4652.00	3703.00
2300	TOTAL TEACHING	785670.88	836069.00	882 103.00
2400	TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL MAT.	22639.22	27880.00	20000.00
2500-1	IMC Coordinator Salary	17300.00	18550.00	19893.00
-2	IMC Instructional-Tech. Aides	120 18.40	13 134.00	14202.00
-5	IMC Supplies & Instr. Mat.	12844.23	13500.00	6850.00
-6	IMC Memb., Publ., Conf., Tr., Prt.	257.27	530.00	50.00
2500/2600	TOTAL IMC	424 19.90	457 14.00	40995.00

QUABBIN		Expended	Budgeted	Proposed
Budget		FY76	FY77	FY78
2700-1	Psychologist Salary	47665.19	53077.00	47325.00
-2	Guidance Sec.-Aides Salaries	9402.00	10147.00	10882.00
-4	Contracted-Diagn. & Prescr.	368.43	900.00	1000.00
-5	Guidance Supplies	873.45	1250.00	700.00
-6	Guidance-Memb;Publ;Conf;etc.	679.59	1255.00	400.00
2700	TOTAL GUIDANCE	58988.66	66629.00	60307.00
3100-2	Attendance Officer Salary	1074.00	1200.00	1200.00
-5	Attendance Officer Supplies			
-6	Attendance Officer Travel			
3100	TOTAL ATTENDANCE	1074.00	1200.00	1200.00
3200-1	Nurse & Phys. Salaries	11820.00	12400.00	13153.00
-2	Technical Aides Salaries	1771.28	2189.00	2380.00
-4	Contracted Diagn. Services	11.00		
-5	Health Supplies	462.66	400.00	450.00
-6	Health-Memb;Publ;Conf;Tr;etc.	277.64	265.00	220.00
3200	TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	14342.58	15254.00	16203.00
3300-41	Regular Transportation	189361.96	194000.00	208000.00
	Kindergarten			
-43	Field Trips	3373.10	5000.00	
-44	Athletic Trips	7024.45	10000.00	11000.00
-45	Activity Trips	2301.40	2000.00	2000.00
	NIOTC	360.00	1200.00	1200.00
3300	TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	202420.91	212200.00	222200.00
3400-3	Lunchroom Super. Salary	8000.00	10000.00	7500.00
-5	Lunch Program Subsidy			
3400	TOTAL LUNCH PROGRAM	8000.00	10000.00	7500.00
3510-1	Athletic Coaching Salaries	18075.36	19206.00	24193.00
-5	Athletic Supplies-Materials	8991.97	9700.00	7600.00
-6	Athletic-Memb;Publ;Conf; Travel;Printing; etc.	1474.97	1120.00	850.00
-4	Contr./Officials, Police, etc.	5831.07	6200.00	7300.00
3520-1	Activities-Advisors Salaries	5697.50	7136.00	7059.00
-4	Contracted Assemblies, etc.	297.00	300.00	400.00
-5	Activities Supplies-Materials	2891.25	3050.00	3200.00
-6	Activities-Memb;Publ;Conf; Travel;Printing; Postage	3702.80	3365.00	2100.00
3500	TOTAL ATHLETIC-ACTIVITIES	46961.92	50077.00	52702.00

QUABBIN		Expended	Budgeted	Proposed
Budget		FY76	FY77	FY78
4110-31	Head of Maint. Salary			
-32	Custodial Salaries	56222.82	62356.00	68231.00
-4	Contracted-Htg;Lights; H ₂ O;Gas;Telephone	62941.14	49400.00	67800.00
-5	Custodial Supplies	6419.30	7000.00	7500.00
-6	Custodial-Publ;Conf;Tr.	316.01	700.00	700.00
4210-4	Contracted-Snow Rem;Tr;Heat	2170.95	4450.00	4200.00
-5	Ground Maintenance	1454.38	13300.00	13800.00
-5	Building Maintenance	11107.62	619.00	
4230-4	Equipment Maintenance	12799.50	14075.00	15796.00
-4	Primary Instr. Equip. Maint.			
4000	TOTAL OPER. - MAINTENANCE	153431.72	151900.00	178027.00
5000	TOTAL FIXED CHARGES	55692.07	62490.00	93737.00
6000	TOTAL COMMUNITY SERV.			
7100	Land Site Improvement		5500.00	
7200	Building Acquisition	2330.94	2050.00	2150.00
7300	New Equipment Purchases	5907.65	4753.00	3700.00
7400	Equipment Replacements	7340.00	15067.00	4965.00
	Title III	10177.91		
7000	TOTAL ACQUIS. - REPLACE.	25756.50	27370.00	10815.00
8100	Debt-Retirement	115000.00	115000.00	115000.00
8200	Debt-Service (Interest)	46312.50	41830.00	37350.00
8500	Other Debt Services			
8000	TOTAL DEBT RETIRE. & SERV.	161312.50	156830.00	152350.00
9100-1	Vocational School Tuition			
-2	Vocational School Trans.			
-3	Adult Evening School Tuition			
-4	Other Special School Tuition			
-5	Other Special School Trans.			
9000	TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL PROGRAMS			

QUABBIN		Expended	Budgeted	Proposed
Budget		FY76	FY77	FY78
-1	Sp. Ed. Professional Salaries	9474.99	85093.00	88378.00
-2	Sp. Ed. Aides Salaries	1426.00	3632.00	3912.00
	Nurse & Physician			
	Perceptually Handicapped Salaries			
-4	Contracted Services	15321.60	23203.00	6108.00
-5	Sp. Ed. Supplies & Materials	168.16	1706.00	765.00
-6	Other (travel)	1519.90	2619.00	2014.00
	Telephone			430.00
	Gardner Mental Health			
	Building Improvement (acquisition)			
	Equipment		9476.00	
-91	Sp. Ed. Tuition (other schools)			7000.00
-92	Sp. Ed. Transportation (other schools)			7500.00
	Share of Unit A	52494.00		
	Instructional Aides		3285.00	7100.00
	Career and other Transportation		4476.00	
	TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	80404.65	133490.00	123207.00
	TOTAL ADULT EDUCATION	16.00		
	TOTAL BUDGET	1790009.64	1943070.00	2011096.00
	NET ASSESSMENTS:			
	Barre	487280.00	503781.00	616151.00
	Hardwick	311169.00	315938.00	363195.00
	Hubbardston	228161.00	252539.00	305263.00
	Oakham	107390.00	106177.00	121487.00

ITEM DEPARTMENT	EXPENDED FISCAL 1976	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978
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SCHOOLS

50 Schools			
Committee Sal.	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 0.00
Center School	\$126,660.24	165,575.00	179,318.00
Union 63	11,901.00	7,620.00	15,202.00
Quabbin Reg.	107,390.00	109,000.00	121,487.00
All Other	<u>19,507.31</u>	<u>4,435.00</u>	<u>-----</u>
	\$265,608.55	\$286,780.00	\$316,007.00
51 Library			
Trustees' Sal.	50.00	50.00	50.00
Sal. & Wages	3,097.00	1,750.00	3,500.00
Expenses	<u>4,094.25</u>	<u>3,200.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
	\$ 7,241.25	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 7,550.00
Totals Schools & Library	\$272,849.80	\$291,780.00	\$323,557.00

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

55 Care of Town Common	110.46	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
56 Wright Park Maint.	187.50	200.00	200.00
57 Memorial Day Observ.	93.93	100.00	100.00
58 Care of Town Clock	1.50	50.00	50.00
59 4-H Clubs	150.58	150.00	150.00
60 Annual Reports	900.00	950.00	950.00
61 County Retirement	3,938.07	7,706.11	5,917.07
62 Group Insurance	8,711.92	3,500.00	4,000.00
63 Reg. Planning Dis.	94.90	94.90	94.90
64 Finance Comm.	100.00	100.00	100.00
65 Parks & Recrea.	262.99	150.00	175.00
66 Summer Recre. Prog.	720.00	800.00	1,250.00
67 Board of Appeals	<u>43.80</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
	\$15,315.65	\$14,101.00	\$13,386.97

Blanket insurance

10,000.00

13,000.00

26386.97

ITEM DEPARTMENT	EXPENDED FISCAL 1976	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978
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CEMETERIES

75 Cemeteries			
Committee Sal	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
Wages & Salaries	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Expenses	<u>350.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>	<u>350.00</u>
	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

80 Interest			
Temporary Loans	3,089.35	3,000.00	3,000.00
School Loan	<u>29,680.00</u>	<u>27,800.00</u>	<u>28,392.59</u>
	32,769.35	30,800.00	31,392.59
81 Maturing Debt			
School Loan	<u>33,000.00</u>	<u>32,000.00</u>	<u>34,243.92</u>
	65,769.35	62,800.00	65,636.51

SPECIAL ARTICLES

	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978
1976 Annual Town Meeting		
Article 8-Reserve Fund	\$ 3,000.00	5000.00
Article 12-Stabiliz. Fund	10,000.00	0
Article 17		
Weed Control	200.00	
Article 21		
Highway Resurfacing	12,000.00	8000.00
Article 22		
Building Inspector	200.00	
Article 24		
Purchase of Typewriter	350.00	
Article 25		
Board of Appeals	100.00	
Article 27		
Insurance Study	250.00	

	RAISED FISCAL 1977	RECOMMENDED FISCAL 1978
Article 28		
Check Disburser	\$ 800.00	
Article 16		
Revaluation Program	10,000.00	
Special Town Meeting - June 25, 1976		
Article 8		
Chapter 90 Improvements	243.21	
Article 9		
Payment on School Drive Loan	2,600.00	
Article 10		
Road Improvements	1,400.00	
Article 11		
School Funds	<u>24,623.00</u>	
	\$ 65,766.21	
1977 Annual Town Meeting		
Article 8		
Reserve Fund		\$ 3,000.00
		From Overlay Surplus
Article 9		
To reduce tax levey		-----
Article 12		
Stabilization Fund		-----
Article 15		
Highway Resurfacing		\$ 8,000.00

Recommendations on these articles will be made at the Annual Town Meeting.

Appropriations from the Overlay Surplus will not affect the tax levy.

ARTICLE 7.

To authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow in anticipation of revenue.

Recommended.

ARTICLE 8.

To provide funds for the purposes of a Reserve Fund.

Recommended - Appropriate \$3,000 from Overlay Surplus.

ARTICLE 9.

To appropriate funds for use to help reduce the Tax Levy for Fiscal 1978.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 10.

To transfer a sum of money from the Highway Machinery Fund to the Highway Machinery Account.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 11.

To accept trust funds which may be left for the care of Cemeteries or for any other purpose.

Recommended trust funds, if any, be accepted.

ARTICLE 12.

To provide funds for the Stabilization Fund.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 13.

To hear the report of the School Building Committee.

No recommendation.

ARTICLE 14.

To hear the report of the committee established to investigate the need, location and cost of a new Highway Department Building.

No recommendation.

ARTICLE 15.

To provide funds for resurfacing certain town roads.

Recommended \$8,000 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

ARTICLE 16.

To accept any funds which may be allotted to the Town by the Commonwealth or the County.

Recommended.

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ARTICLE 17.

To give the Town authority to enter into mutual aid agreements with other towns or cities.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 18.

To amend By-Laws relating to Mobile Home Parks etc.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 19.

To adopt official road map.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 20.

To accept Chapter 48, Section 38 of the General Laws allowing compensation of firemen.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 21.

To determine what compensation firemen will be paid.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 22.

Rate of development By-Law.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 23.

Unregistered motor vehicle By-Law.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 24.

Board of Appeals By-Law.

Recommendation to be made at Annual Town Meeting.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

POLICE DEPARTMENT	882-3347
TO REPORT A FIRE	882-5555
Fire Station	882-5556
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	
Town Garage	882-5556
TOWN HALL	
Selectmen	882-5549
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	882-3392
LIBRARY	882-3372
TOWN CLERK	882-3356